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Israelis smash Syrian bid at Hermon post; IAF attacks 7 hours

Syrians admit 15 killed; 16 Israelis hurt

By HIRSH GOODMAN
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At least 12 Syrian soldiers were killed and 16 Israelis wounded in one of the most serious clashes between the two countries since the October war. The incident occurred during a running battle between Israel and Syria for control of the Hermon peak taken by Israel during the October war, but left temporarily empty when winter snows and sub-zero temperatures during the winter months made a physical presence on the 2,814-metre post nearly impossible.

Yesterday's clash in the area started shortly after 4 a.m. when Israeli troops sent to the peak to set up a permanent base encountered a 50-man Syrian commando force which had infiltrated from a nearby Syrian position — some 200 metres lower — during the night.

Yesterday, the Israeli Air Force was also called in for the second time in two days for a total of seven hours to blast Syrian troops and positions on the Hermon, and to block Syrian attempts to build a road up to the Israel position.

It was reported that the Air Force, which was not seriously hampered by anti-aircraft missiles, scored good hits, destroying earth moving and military equipment. The Army Spokesman announced yesterday that all planes returned safely to base.

Syrian patrol in snowy Hermon area. Two Syrian soldiers on observation, behind the patrol. (AP radiophoto)

The Israeli Army Spokesman categorically denied a Syrian report that 50 Israeli soldiers had been killed and four Israeli planes downed by Syrian gunners. The Syrian announcement, however, admitted that 15 Syrian soldiers had been killed and eight more wounded and that five houses were destroyed.

Most of the Israeli wounded and Syrian dead were the result of a combined small arms and artillery battle which developed soon after the Israeli force arived on the peak, which after the October war had been registered with the U.N. as an Israeli-held point and which has been the object of a concerted Syrian effort for the past week.

The first shells landed in the area before daylight, but Syrian guns were quietened when the Israeli jets arrived on the scene before 7 a.m. for a two-hour attack on Syrian positions.

Later in the morning, the Syrians fired a volley of katyusha rockets, combined with a heavy artillery barrage, during which four more Israeli soldiers were wounded. Most of the soldiers wounded were last night reported to be out of danger, many of the injuries being superficial shrapnel and bullet wounds.

The Israel Air Force returned to the area at 12.15 p.m. and for five hours bombarded Syrian positions and anti-aircraft missile concentrations on the Hermon. The area was quiet from the early evening, but observers here are convinced that the Syrians will continue to hamper the Israeli force on the peak, and continue attempting to build a road to the outpost in the future.

Possession of the peak by Syria would afford the country an important strategic advantage it does not have at present: the ability to observe Israeli positions both on the Hermon and in the northern sector of the bulge, as well as northern Galilee. It could also be an excellent radar and anti-aircraft missile base.

SYRIAN ATTEMPTS

Syria contested Israeli jurisdiction over the area immediately after the war, and it was generally expected that once weather conditions allowed military action they would attempt to take the peak.

In the past Premier Golda Meir has stated that she would be prepared to hand over the peak to the U.N. as part of a disengagement agreement with Syria — other Israeli positions on the Hermon being adequate for both spotting and radar needs. Syria considers possession of the area vital to its military needs, however, and thus, it seems, is making every effort to secure the peak before the current disengagement talks — under the auspices of U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger—are finalized. Israel's determination to prevent the Syrians from gaining a physical presence on the peak can be attributed to the same reasoning.

The Syrians yesterday refused to comply with an Israeli request, transmitted via UN observers, to cease firing long enough to enable UN officials to verify that the peak of Mt. Hermon is in the hands of Israel troops. The UN observers reached an advanced Israeli position, but could not continue to the peak because of the Syrian shelling.

At the request of the observers, the troops occupying the mountain summit then fired red rockets, after an order was transmitted to them, to indicate their presence there.

Meanwhile, Syrian gunners yesterday continued to bombard Israeli positions in the bulge and along the southern sector of the front west of the pre-October cease-fire lines with artillery and katyusha rockets. Israel returned the fire, concentrating on Syrian positions in the Tel Harra region, east of the southern corner of the bulge.

Firing started in the early morning with a barrage on Tel Farris and Nahal Ghsur west of the pre-October "purple line", and towards the afternoon encompassed Israeli positions in the southern and northern sectors of the bulge, as well as on the Hermon range. Twice during the day they fired volleys of katyusha rockets at Kafr Nassej, but caused no damage. Daily clashes in the area are into their fifth week.

The Cabinet devoted about one hour of its five-hour session yesterday to reports about the situation in the North from Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and the Acting Chief of Staff, Aluf Yitzhak Hofi.

ALUF MORDECHAI GUR NAMED CHIEF OF STAFF

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The Cabinet yesterday unanimously approved the appointment of Aluf Mordechai Gur as Israel's 10th Chief of Staff. He will replace Rav-Aluf Elazar who resigned two weeks ago following the recommendations of the Agranat Commission. The appointment took effect at midnight last night.

Gur's appointment was proposed by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, who managed to neutralize opposition among some ministers who would have preferred the appointment of the acting Chief of Staff, Aluf Yitzhak Hofi, who may decide to resign from the armed forces as a result of being passed over for a junior officer.

The Cabinet had resolved last week that a new Chief of Staff must be appointed this week so as not to leave the IDF without a permanent head any longer. This reason overrode the consideration that perhaps the Defence portfolio might be switched in a Cabinet reshuffle and therefore it might be logical to wait till a permanent Defence Minister was in.

Informal exchanges of opinion between top Ministers before the Cabinet session opened produced a suggestion from Mr. Dayan that perhaps it would be wise to allow any Minister to name candidates for the post of Chief of Staff — instead of the firm procedure hitherto whereby the Defence Minister proposed the Chief of Staff. This suggestion was not taken up, although it would probably have resulted in the same candidate being voted in, in the same manner.

According to one view, it was preferable for the Cabinet to adhere to its standing procedure, because of the principle of Ministerial responsibility for the civil servants under the Minister's jurisdiction.

The discussion in the full Cabinet regarding the apopintment of R/Aluf Raphael Eitan (Raful) — a former paratrooper who heads a division in the North — will probably be named OC, Northern Command, while should Aluf Hofi decide to resign the post of OC, G-Branch will be vacated for the third time in as almost as many months. Since Hofi was named acting Chief of Staff the G-Branch post was held by Tat-Aluf Arye Levy, the former chief artillery officer, who will most probably be given the post permanently.

ALUF GUR

Gur took about half an hour and after Dayan proposed him, Gur drew unanimous backing.

Gur, 44, was considered among observers here to be Elazar's natural successor even if the October War would not have occurred and the Agranat Commission not have cut Elazar's tenure by over eight months. In 1971, after completing a two-year stint as OC, Northern Command, Gur was sent to Washington as military attache and it was generally believed that he would be brought back to Israel about a year before Elazar was due to leave, in order to take over as head of the General Staff Branch, an essential stepping stone to the post of Chief of Staff. Aluf Gur will be the first Chief of Staff in the country's history not to have held this post before reaching the top command.

As a result, several major new appointments must now be made.

Gur's rise through the ranks has been meteoric. In 1967 he was in command of the reserve paratroop brigade which conquered the Old City and East Jerusalem, and in contrast to all the former Chiefs of Staff, was just a soldier in the Palmah during the War of Independence. In the 1956 Sinai Campaign he commanded the Nahal airborne brigade which took part in the action at the Mitla Pass, and was later cited for bravery by the then Chief of Staff, Moshe Dayan, for his part in the battle of Khan Yunis in the Gaza Strip.

TOOK OLD CITY

In 1958 he was sent to study military strategy at the Ecole de Guerre in Paris, returning to Israel in 1961 to command the Golani infantry brigade. He later headed the Command and Staff College and after a year with the operations section at the General Command he was given command of the reserve paratroop battalion which took the Old City of Jerusalem.

After the Six Day War he was named OC, Central Command and two years later was sent to Washington as Israel's military attache where he worked in close cooperation with former Chief of Staff Yitzhak Rabin, who was Ambassador to the U.S., in purchasing equipment for the defence forces.

Gur headed the Israeli military delegation to the Geneva disengagement talks with the Egyptians in December 1973 and in January 1974 and returned to Israel to take over the Northern Command a second time when Aluf Hofi was called to the General Staff to replace Aluf Israel Tal.

Gur is generally respected for being an officer with initiative and the ability to improvise. He is also known to be a hardliner, and a man who prefers decisive action to compromise and restraint. His ability as an overall strategist and to command forces on a national level still has to be put to the test, but he commands confidence among the senior military ranks. The general consensus of opinion among military observers here is that the appointment has been generally well received.

The open question, however, concerns Aluf Hofi who has held the rank of general for three consecutive posts as opposed to Gur's two, and who fully expected to be named to the top command particularly after acting as Chief of Staff. Sources close to the Cabinet last night said that the ministers had understood that Hofi would not resign, but military circles here expressed a different opinion. If he should stay on he would most probably be named Deputy Chief of Staff and resume his duties as OC, G-Branch.

Katzir gives Labour only fortnight to find Prime Minister

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

President Katzir is determined to avoid a drawn-out process of Cabinet-making: he stressed this determination in the clearest terms at his meeting with Labour Alignment leaders yesterday. The meeting was the first of a round of talks which the law requires the President to hold with all the Knesset factions before asking an M.K. to try and form a government.

Later in the day the President received delegations from Moked, from the Citizens' Rights Movement and from Likud. He intends to complete this round of meetings by mid-week.

The Labour delegation told the President that the party had not yet chosen its candidate for Premier and would set about doing so forthwith. The President agreed to meet with the Labour leaders once more "within a reasonable period of time" to hear whether the party has been able to unite around a new leader. He cautioned, however, that the "reasonable period" must not extend beyond 10 days to two weeks.

Prof. Katzir did not discuss with the Labour delegation what he planned to do in the event of the party not returning by the deadline with an agreed leader. But sources close to him believe he would in that event ask Likud leader Menahem Begin to attempt to form a government. (His alternative course would be to precipitate elections by informing the Knesset Speaker that there was no one able to form a government.)

The six-member Labour Alignment delegation was led by Coalition chairman Moshe Baram and included party secretary Aharon Yadlin and Yisrael Kargman of Mapai, Matilda Ghez of Rafi, Shoshana Arbeli-Almoslino of Ahdut Ha'avoda and Yehuda Yudin of Mapam.

They spent 80 minutes with the President and Mr. Baram said later that each member of the delegation had explained the viewpoint of his or her faction. Thus Baram himself and Yadlin and Kargman had spoken optimistically of the possibility of forming a new Labour-NRP-ILP government without the need for elections. Matilda Ghez (Rafi) had favoured a national unity government, while Shoshana Arbeli (Ahdut Ha'avoda) had favoured early elections.

The President asked the Labour delegation to refrain from reporting to newsmen on what he had said and to confine their report to what they had said — and Mr. Baram faithfully heeded this request.

Mr. Baram did confirm, though, that the President had asked Labour to be as expeditious as possible in choosing its candidate. Mr. Baram said the choice would be made by the democratic processes of the party's decision-making bodies.

Reliable sources indicated that the President was careful during the meeting not to disclose his own views. (During the coalition talks from January to March Prof. Katzir indicated on a number of occasions that he personally favoured the establishment of a national unity government.):

Party secretary Yadlin said that all factions in Labour agreed that elections should only be held — if at all — *after* the Agranat Commission had presented all its findings and recommendations. Mr. Yadlin confirmed that many Mapai members favoured Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir as the best candidate for Prime Minister.

(Likud — Page 2)

Israel missile boats sail round Africa

Jerusalem Post Staff

Two Israeli missile boats, the Reshef and the Keshet, recently ended a 28-day journey around Africa, and re-entered Israel waters in Southern Sinai.

The boats, which started out from Haifa, travelled some 23,000 kms. They were accompanied into a navy base by Dabur (Hornet) light patrol boats, and greeted by siren blasts from landing craft in the harbour.

The Israel-made ships are armed with Gabriel missiles as well as guns. Nearly 60 metres long, the vessels are faster than the missile boats smuggled out of Cherbourg, France four years ago. They have been dispatched to Southern Sinai, presumably to protect Eilat-bound Israel shipping in the Red Sea.

MORE RUSSIAN ARMS FOR SYRIA

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The Soviet Union and Syria have signed an agreement providing the latter country with further arms supplies, Damascus reports said yesterday.

The reports coincided with an international political review in the Soviet party daily "Pravda" which yesterday said that Syrian President Hafez Assad and the Kremlin leaders have signed a new cooperation pact one section of which pledges to "strengthen Syria's capacity for defence." The agreement would also help develop Syria's "economic independence."

The new pact is scheduled to be announced in both Moscow and Damascus on the return home of President Assad from his current Russian tour.

The scope of the new Soviet-Syrian arms deal was not disclosed. Middle East observers believe it to be on a large-scale, signalling further consolidation of Moscow's relations with Damascus.

The sources expressed the belief that the delay in disclosing the extent of the deal was aimed at serving as a tactic to intensify Washington's current efforts to achieve a military disengagemnt between Syria and Israel.

So far neither Syria nor the Soviet Union made any fanfare of the arms deal since Dr. Kissinger announced his intention to visit Damascus and Jerusalem later this month in the light of his talks this week with Syria's chief of the army intelligence, Brig. Hikmat Shehabi, on the Golan disengagement issue.

Dr. Kissinger was yesterday reported to be verifying news of the Soviet-Syrian arms deal which came with escalated Syrian military activity on the Golan front.

The Soviet pledge to provide Syria with new arms supplies ironically came amid Egyptian complaints that the Russians were withholding weapons from Cairo. The Egyptian newspaper "Al-Ahram" said yesterday that the Soviets were refusing to send arms to Cairo unless the Egyptians paid in advance for the weapons. The paper said that the Cairo-based federal parliament, which embraces representatives from Egypt, Syria and Libya, has urged an early establishment of Arab military industry rather than bow to Russian pressure.

The "Al-Ahram" report followed Egyptian charges that the Soviet Union was driving a wedge between Cairo and Damascus while encouraging Syria to toughen its stand on military disengagement in Israel.

Egypt was evidently closely watching the outcome of Assad's visit to Moscow and its subsequent impact on the Damascus-Cairo relations.

The Egyptians seem to fear that increased Soviet meddling in Syria has caused Damascus to drift away from Cairo to the extent that Syrian political and military policy was being conducted independently of Egypt.

Consequently, the Egyptians have been reacting to the Golan clashes rather passively. Cairo has given no hint that it was maintaining contact with Damascus over the Golan conflict.

In contrast, "Al-Ahram" yesterday said that Egypt has maintained contact with Beirut over Israel's thrust into southern Lebanon over the weekend. The paper said that the two countries have agreed on joint steps, however without giving any details. The assumption was that Lebanon has asked Egypt's aid in pressing the terrorists to cease their activity across Lebanon's southern border. But "Al-Ahram" warned against "holding Lebanon responsible" for terrorist activity against Israeli settlements and asserted that Israeli retaliation may "increase the determination of the guerrillas to continue their successful operations until Israel recognizes their legitimate rights."

DINITZ SEES KISSINGER

'Syrian plan not so different'

By IRA SILVERMAN
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Following a meeting yesterday afternoon between Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and Israel Ambassador Simha Dinitz, diplomatic sources reported that the Syrian plan for troop disengagement given to the Secretary on Saturday "is not that different" from earlier Syrian proposals.

Emerging from the session, which lasted an hour and 45 minutes, Ambassador Dinitz told newsmen in the State Department lobby that he had a "long constructive discussion with the Secretary," in which Kissinger relayed the newest Syrian proposals, including detailed plans and maps.

Dinitz said that the plan is not exactly the same as the one presented before, and that there is "definitely room for give and take" on the disengagement differences. He would not go into details, explaining that the Israel Government would have to decide how it would respond.

But diplomatic sources revealed that while the plan is slightly different from the earlier Syrian proposal, it does not go very far. It presumably calls for substantial withdrawals of Israeli forces from Golan Heights territory captured in the 1967 war going well beyond the return of Kuneitra town.

These sources indicate, though, that the idea of some zones of limited armament — similar to those in the Egyptian disengagement accord — is not rejected by the Syrians.

Moreover, while the Syrians would prefer some explicit timetable linking a disengagement to an overall settlement, including further Israeli withdrawals to the final lines, the discussion this weekend focused solely on the disengagement, with no indications that such a linkage is possible.

Dinitz also confirmed that Kissinger will visit Israel in another shuttle diplomacy trip later this month. Informed sources now indicate that the Secretary's expected date of arrival in Jerusalem will be April 27 or 28. He may visit Arab capitals before that, with possible stops in Algiers and Cairo, as well as Damascus.

Kissinger, who reviewed with Dinitz his meetings in the last few days with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy and Algerian President Houari Boumedienne, is understood to believe that the Algerian and Egyptian leadership can serve as a moderating influence on Syrian President Hafez Assad.

The Secretary's trip is seen by diplomats here as the key to any further breaking of Israeli-Syrian deadlock.

The Secretary and Ambassador discussed the explosive border fighting between Israel and Syria but sources report that Kissinger offered "no criticism whatsover" of the Israeli reprisal action into Lebanon or aerial bombardment of Syrian artillery positions. They did not discuss the Security Council's debate on the Lebanese raid, which is due to begin tonight. (See page 4.)

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DAVID KEIVINE
rusalem Post Reporter

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Golan	—	— 20	14—30
Nahariya	71	9—22	15—27
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Tiberias	56	12—28	16—30
Nazareth	26	15—27	17—27
Afula	25	10—30	15—30
Shomron	11	08—28	08—28
Tel Aviv	64	14—28	17—30
B-G Airport	12	12—25	17—24
Jericho	34	16—33	17—33
Gaza	67	16—24	17—30
Beersheba	25	17—32	18—32
Eilat	29	22—32	23—32
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Social and Personal

The Lord Mayor-elect of Manchester and Mrs. Fred Balcombe were yesterday given a reception at the ZOA House by the external relations department of the World Zionist Organization and the Israel, Britain and Commonwealth Association.

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A delegation of 32 students of the German Popular University, in Israel on a study tour, were the guests of the Haifa Municipality yesterday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Green of Willowdale, Ontario, visited the new Shaare Zedek Medical Centre construction site and met with the hospital's director of development, Zvi Caspi.

ARRIVALS

Ernest Frankel, honorary vice-president of the British Zionist Federation, and Ella Frankel, vice-president of the Federation of Women Zionists and editor of the "Jewish Woman's Review."

DEPARTURES

Dr. Shaul Colbi, director of the Christian Communities Department of Religious Affairs Ministry, to Europe for a lecture tour.

Knesset Members Yohanan Bader and Ari Ankorion and Knesset Secretary Netanel Lorch, to Bucharest, to attend a meeting of the inter-Parliamentary Council which opens there tomorrow (by El Al).

Court bars phone book

TEL AVIV. — A temporary injunction stopping the distribution of the Dapei Kol classified telephone directory was extended by the District Court here yesterday after plagiarism had been proved.

The injunction, issued last month, was requested by the publishers of Dapei Zahav, the directory put out under licence from the Communications Ministry. They claimed that their competitors had copied whole sections of the directory and had used it as a source for soliciting advertisements.

The Court found that some 80 per cent of the material appearing in Dapei Kol — including at least nine errors — was lifted from Dapei Zahav.

A civil suit, in which Dapei Zahav is suing Dapei Kol for loss of advertising revenue, is pending before the court. *(Itim)*

Military funerals for 2 road victims

TEL AVIV. — Two soldiers who were killed in a road accident Friday night were buried in the Kiryat Shaul Military Cemetery here yesterday in separate military funerals.

The funeral of Yosef Shilensky, 25, son of Herut leader Dov Shilensky, was attended by thousands of mourners, among whom were many Herut figures and soldiers who had served with Yosef in the Golani Brigade. He is survived by his parents and two brothers on active military service.

The other soldier was Nehemia Avraham, 24, of Moshav Givat Koah, whose funeral was held earlier in the day. *(Itim)*

Israeli dies in Zambia road crash

HAIFA. — A Kiryat Haim resident, working in Zambia as an agricultural adviser, died there during the weekend of injuries suffered in a road accident.

The man, Aharon Nitzan, was injured in a collision involving his car and two heavy lorries earlier last week. A doctor from Tel Hashomer was flown to Zambia to help, but her efforts failed. His body is to be flown back here for the funeral. *(Itim)*

Harlem hoopsters to play here

TEL AVIV. — The Harlem Wizards — an all-black professional basketball team from New York — will arrive in Israel next Monday for a series of 15 exhibition matches, including two performances on Independence Day at the Yad Eliahu stadium here.

The Wizards, who include some of the tallest players in the game — most notably Ray Felix, who at 2.18 metres is the tallest player in the U.S.—are paying their first visit to Israel. Unlike another famous black U.S. team, the Globetrotters, the Harlem Wizards stress virtuosity and technique rather than entertainment. *(Rina)*

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Wednesday evening, April 17 at 8.00 p.m.
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LABOUR HEADS MEET TOMORROW FOR DECISION ON ELECTIONS

Golda's successor to be named next week

By MARK SEGAL Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A joint meeting of the Labour Party's Leadership Bureau and its Knesset faction will meet tomorrow afternoon to decide whether to call for early elections or to try to form a government that will remain in office until at least after Rosh Hashana.

Whatever course is agreed on, new elections are likely.

There is a strong trend in the party that favours going to the polls. Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir has expressed a widespread party view that general elections should be held only after the Agranat Commission has issued its final report.

The 614 members of the Party Central Committee will convene here early next week to nominate a successor to Golda Meir for the premiership.

The fact that President Katzir has intimated he will not tolerate a hiatus in government for more than 10 days has galvanized the Labour Party. A leading Labour politician put it to me last night: "The idea that Menahem Begin could even be Premier-designate for 21 days gives us nightmares."

The strongest support for early elections comes from those sections in the party and the Alignment which seek to prevent electoral reform. This is especially so with the ex-Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam groups, whose leaders say openly that early elections would shelve for at least four years any progress towards enacting Gad Ya'acobi's Private Member's Bill for electoral change.

All those groups speaking of general elections later this year — the favourite choice is the autumn — want electoral reform inside the Alignment. Supporting this view are the ex-Rafi group, the powerful Haifa party branch, the "Lashiluv" Young Leadership Circle, the party Youth Division, and the ideological circles — Etgar (ex-army officers), Ben-Gurion (activists) and the Social and Political Reform Study Group (university lecturers).

Ex-Rafi circles last night denied a report that they were negotiating on getting portfolios in a new government in exchange for supporting Mr. Sapir at the Central Committee. They said that an informal meeting of ex-Rafi committee members indicated firm opposition to his nomination. They would be ready to support "someone like Mr. Zadok or Mr. Almogi," from ex-Mapai, it was said.

Most members of ex-Rafi are said to favour the establishment of a National Unity government now and the holding of elections in autumn.

The Kibbutz Hameuhad Secretary, Daniel Rosolio, has publicly reaffirmed the traditional ex-Ahdut Ha'avoda backing for Mr. Allon. It is said that their old Palmah comrade, Yitzhak Rabin, is their second choice.

Mapam is inclined to support Mr. Sapir, it was said last night.

The influential Moshav Movement leadership yesterday turned down a proposal by Avraham Zilberberg, M.K., to adopt a formal motion supporting Mr. Sapir's candidacy.

Ex-Rafi, the Haifa branch leader, Mayor Yosef Almogi, and other groups have also raised anew a proposal for choosing a candidate who can head a wall-to-wall coalition.

The Ben-Gurion ideological circle backed Mayor Almogi's initiative in urging internal party elections along ideological divisions.

Supporters of Justice Minister Haim Zadok, Labour Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Mayor Almogi for the premiership muted their canvassing yesterday, awaiting the outcome of last night's mission to Mr. Sapir by members of the powerful "Gush" faction of ex-Mapai.

A foretaste of the controversy which Mr. Sapir's candidacy could arouse was given yesterday. While the Secretariat of the Labour Party Leadership Bureau met at party headquarters to discuss questions pertaining to tomorrow's meeting of the Bureau and the Knesset caucus, a small demonstration of the newly-formed roof organization of the soldiers' protest group was held outside in Hayarkon Street. About a dozen pickets waved banners urging that the Labour Party should not choose either Mr. Sapir or Deputy Premier Yigal Allon to be a candidate for the premiership. One banner proclaimed: "Both of them were partners to the (Yom Kippur War) failure."

Sharp opposition to Mr. Sapir's candidacy also came from members of the Lashiluv Young Leadership Circle last night. The Lashiluv executive session was atended by three ex-Mapai MKs — Moshe Shahal, Rabbi Menahem Hacohen and Michael Harish. Mr. Harish, who is the Lashiluv chairman, read out a letter he had written to Mr. Sapir in which he said: "Although you firmly disclaim premiership aspirations, there are others who are striving to persuade you to change your mind. As a person who has enjoyed good relations with you, I would like you to know that in the light of the public's negative attitude towards the party and its leadership, and the widespread opposition towards you — arising from the difficult position you hold — your election as candidate for premier will not enable the party to emerge from its present crisis..."

Daniel Bloch, "Davar" columnist and magazine editor of "Razor" (Youth Division), says that Mr. Sapir should be chosen only if the Labour Party opted for a national coalition. However, he regretted that the majority of the party opposed such a coalition with the Likud, so a more acceptable candidate had to be found.

Uzi Baram of the Jerusalem branch came out strongly for Yitzhak Rabin. Spelling out views attributed to fellow Lashiluv Circle leaders like Mr. Harish, he said: "Sapir represents all the negative elements attributed to the party, even before Yom Kippur. Those politicians who seek to persuade Sapir to accept the nomination do not know that an earthquake took place..."

The State List section of Likud came out strongly yesterday against "the campaign to crown Pinhas Sapir... He is the man responsible for the kind of social and economic regime that made possible the failures of Yom Kippur... Sapir's regime caused wastefulness and corruption in our society... He is also responsible for severe cutbacks in the Defence budget..."

Likud: Begin should form government

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A delegation of the Likud bloc which called on President Katzir yesterday afternoon urged him to ask its leader Menahem Begin to form the next Government.

The next Government should be constructed around the Likud, the delegation said, since it was the most solid of all the large parliamentary parties. Although the Alignment might be larger on paper, the delegation said, with 54 MKs to the Likud's 39, the Alignment was so racked by internal disunity and so undecided on policy that it could not possibly form a firm basis for a government.

Likud MK Simha Erlich, who led the seven-man delegation, said that his party would prefer the next government to be a broadly based coalition embracing as many "Zionist" parties as possible. (This would certainly exclude the New Communists and probably Moked.)

Erlich said there was no reason why the Alignment should not join a coalition headed by the Likud — or at least some members of the Alignment. There was considerable support in the Alignment for a national unity coalition, he said.

The Likud played down the idea of Knesset elections on the assumption that public opinion, by and large, objects to the proposal and prefers a national unity coalition.

Moked and Citizens Rights also sent delegations to see the President yesterday, in the first round of his statutory consultations about forming the next government.

Haifa Labour branch calls for internal vote reform

By YAACOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The local branch of the Labour Party yesterday demanded new internal elections to eliminate the list of the various party factions. The Haifa Secretariat resolution is the first practical measure from within the Labour Party designed to end the rifts among Mapai, Ahdut Avoda, Rafi and the Tel Aviv "Gush."

The Haifa Secretariat called for a review of the Party's policies, and elections which will give equal opportunities to all candidates, regardless of faction affiliation.

The Secretariat's resolution will be considered on Tuesday by the Bureau of the Party Branch, according to spokesman Shmuel Shiloach. The Bureau will try to work out a method for electing delegates from the local bodies to the 1,000-member national convention.

Under the Party's constitution, elections are held every four years. The next vote is scheduled for December.

Mr. Shiloach said the proposal was linked to the present crisis within the Party. He said the proposal would "start the ball rolling on the way to reform and to the elimination of the present factional system."

He said the problem was not merely political but also highly technical, and it would take considerable time to translate it into action. "We haven't proposed a date for new elections," he said.

Yesterday's meeting was conducted by the Haifa branch Secretary Moshe Wertman, MK, and was attended by Mayor Yosef Almogi.

Lamb shipment condemned

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Several hundred tons of frozen lamb which was to have arrived from Argentina last month, have been condemned at the source of supply, it was learned yesterday. The reason, according to a trade source, was the discovery by Israel vetenarians that the animals were diseased.

The importer was to have been a joint company set up by the Hamashbir marketing organization and the Israel Commerce Federation, a national retailer's organization. A team of ritual slaughterers was sent to Argentina to prepare the meat.

Lamb is now Israel's most expensive meat, ranging in price from IL32 to IL34 per kilo for kosher, and IL22-IL24 for non-kosher meat. As a result, most butchers do not handle it. The price differential between the kosher and non-kosher product is due to the custom among Ashkenazim, of discarding the hind section of the animal. This boosts the price of the usable part.

A Commerce Federation official told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that his organization is now trying to bring the price down by finding new sources of supply. He said he has recently returned from a buying trip to an East European country where he reached a provisional agreement for a shipment of live lambs scheduled for delivery at the end of next month.

Winter is not over for the soldiers stationed at Mt. Hermon on the Syrian front, where it is still wet and cold though the snow is gone and the Syrians keep up their fire. (I.P.P.A.)

Crippled child dies in Red Sea

EILAT. — A paralysed five-year-old boy drowned off Coral Island south of here yesterday.

The boy, Sa'ar Goldstein, capable only of crawling, was left alone on the beach by his brothers, who were told to watch him while the parents went to a nearby kiosk to buy ice-cream. The father returned to find the boy's body floating in the water several feet away from shore.

Easter protest for Jews

WASHINGTON (JTA). — Approximately 250 Christians, representing the "downtown cluster of congregations" in Washington, participated in the daily vigil for Soviet Jews opposite the Soviet Embassy here.

The Easter Sunday demonstration of solidarity was described by one of its organizers, Rev. John Steinbruk of the Luther Place Lutheran Memorial Church, as being a "natural occasion" on Easter Sunday since it contrasted with the use of the holiday in the past, when "Easter was a liturgical launching pad for pogroms and persecutions, and as such became a terrible distortion and misinterpretation of what Easter should be about."

The representation in the demonstration typified Washington's population, which is almost three-fourths black. The leaders sought to give letters of protest against Soviet treatment of Jews, and palm fronds which the participants had carried through the vigil, to the Soviet Embassy. However, two Embassy representatives rejected both the letters and the palm fronds.

THE PREMIERE PERFORMANCE of the new Netanya orchestra was held Saturday night at the town's Esther Cinema. The orchestra, conducted by Laszlo Roth, is composed mainly of new immigrants.

Haifa founds group to promote tourism

HAIFA. — A society to promote tourism in Haifa was established here yesterday by the Municipality, together with the Tourism Ministry and the city's tourist industry.

The new society, EFTAH (Hebrew acronym for Aguda le Ftuah Tayarut be'Haifa), will try to make Haifa more of a tourist attraction, Mayor Yosef Almogi said, as he announced its formation. Some elements missing up to now included services after regular shopping hours, sight-seeing routes, convenient bus links between Haifa and Ben-Gurion airport, and promotion of conventions in the town.

Immigration drops from West

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Immigration from western countries fell sharply last month, according to figures from the Jewish Agency's Immigration and Absorption Department.

The statistics for March, compared with those of February in brackets, are as follows: Latin America, 81 (563); US and Canada, 65 (130); Western Europe, 103 (182); and South Africa, 19 (51).

Gov't company would import all medicines

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministerial Economic Committee yesterday approved the establishment of a Government corporation to act as a central buying organization for medical equipment and pharmaceuticals.

The corporation was proposed by Health Minister Victor Shemtov, who said it would deal with local and foreign suppliers, and would serve all Government hospitals, the sick funds and the Israel Defence Forces.

At present, the Government and the Histadrut's Kupat Holim alone spend between IL220m. and IL240m. annually on medical equipment, supplies and drugs. According to Mr. Shemtov, consolidated buying would mean considerable savings.

One member of the Committee, Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, voted against the proposal, claiming it would hurt private importers of such goods. He said he would appeal the Committee's decision at a coming Cabinet meeting.

None hurt in Netanya blast

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NETANYA. — A time-fuse mortar-shell detonator exploded in the Kings Park *(Gan Hamelech)* here at noon yesterday, but no one was hurt and no damage was done.

The 52 mm. mortar shell of foreign make, had been placed in a refuse can. The shell itself failed to explode. Police sappers found the timing device, a nine-volt battery made in Formosa and a wrist watch made in Hong Kong, attached to the detonator.

Several dozen suspects, mostly Arab workers from the West Bank, were rounded up for questioning.

Labour negotiator to leave job

Gideon Ben-Israel, the Labour Ministry's chief labour relations officer, has announced his resignation, a Ministry spokesman said in Jerusalem yesterday.

Mr. Ben-Israel, former secretary of the Beersheba Labour Council and former MK, is a candidate for the Histadrut Central Committee. Though the law does not require him to resign his civil service job to stand for a Histadrut election — which it does of a Knesset candidate — Mr. Ben-Israel felt he should do so, the spokesman explained.

Special Knesset session on Kiryat Shmona

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset will meet on Wednesday at 10 a.m. in a special session for debates on two urgent motions requested by the Likud bloc — the massacre in Kiryat Shmona, and the setting of a date for early Knesset elections.

The Likud bloc submitted more than the statutory 30 signatures calling for the session, immediately after the Kiryat Shmona killings last Thursday, and yesterday Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu announced the day of the session.

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan will reply to the Kiryat Shmona motion. An Alignment back-bencher will reply to the motion about calling elections.

(The Likud would have tabled a private members bill setting an election date — were it not for the fact that bills may not be tabled during the recess.)

The Pessah recess ends in three weeks' time, on May 6.

A $1M. FUND has been donated to the Haifa Municipality by an anonymous businessman. The annual interest — some IL500,000 — is to be used for a project of the City Executive's choosing, the City Council was told yesterday.

Hot weather to last for two more days

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIT DAGON. — The sultry, unseasonably warm weather will continue for another 48 hours at least, but cooler days are coming, the weatherman predicted here yesterday evening.

A series of warm lows are hugging the North African shoreline and drifting northwards across Sinai into Israel. The result yesterday was temperatures of 35 degrees centigrade in the central plains and 30 degrees along the coast, an average of seven to 11 degrees above the usual measurements for this time of the year. Similar temperatures will prevail today but they may be followed by a cold front and possibly even rain on Wednesday.

Rainfall totals, recorded at the meteorological station here, show an unusual pattern for the second consecutive year, with the heaviest precipitations reported in the centre of the country. Atarot, near Jerusalem, had a total of 919 millimetres — some 300 mm. more than the 30-year average. Tel Aviv recorded 727 mm. or some 200 mm. above the average. Jerusalem gauged 854 mm. (average 600) and Beersheba 289 (204). Mt. Canaan near Safad, on the other hand, had only 844 mm. — some 200 mm. short of its 1,000 mm. average.

The wettest place this winter was El Rom, near Kuneitra on the Golan Heights, which totalled some 1,010 mm. as of today.

According to the yearly rainfall patterns, more rains can be expected for at least the next four weeks, further improving the year's rainfall records.

Kurds throw back Iraqis as fighting flares

KURDISH FRONT, Northern Iraq (AP). — Iraqi jets and tanks went into action on Friday against insurgent Kurdish forces in major pitched battles near the oil centre of Kirkuk in northern Iraq, witnesses reported yesterday.

Iraqi armoured columns from Kirkuk and Suleimaniyeh converged on strongholds of the 20,000-man Kurdish irregular army known as Pesh Merga, cutting the main road to Chammal. But the Iraqi army was turned back with scores of casualties, witnesses reported.

There were no reports of the fighting on Baghdad Radio or the Iraqi News Agency.

Kurdish leaders claimed Pesh Merga advance lines were well forward of the main mountain strongholds where the Kurds withstood Iraqi army assaults in the middle 1960s.

Witnesses said an Iraqi garrison was bottled up by Pesh Merga units at the edge of the Arbil plain. They said the Iraqis had abandoned many positions and were remaining in some defensive positions where they were being resupplied by helicopter.

Kurdish leaders gave no estimates of their own casualties.

Clashes have occurred in recent weeks near the Dukan Dam, Rawanduiz and Zako areas.

Tension has been high in northern Iraq since the 70-year-old Kurdish leader Mulla Mustafa Barzani rejected a Baghdad-sponsored plan for Kurdish autonomy declared last month by Iraqi President Ahmed el-Bakr.

Iraqi Vice-President Saddam Hussein told a press conference last week that his forces were ready to move against the rebellious Kurds. "We are determined to put down their mutiny by force if political methods fail to end their disorders," he said.

Police query comrade's death

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAHARIYA. — A 44-year-old police sergeant died here last week after he was allegedly hit in the face by a suspect. Shlomo Jonah died in Government Hospital after telling his wife that his sudden illness had been caused by an assailant's blow.

The sergeant, who had been on the force for 20 years, was allegedly hit in the face by Moshe Abdo, 19, of Nahariya whom he was questioning. Jonah was examined by a doctor who found no apparent injuries.

His body was sent for an autopsy. Abdo, who has a police record, was detained for questioning.

Soviet cosmonauts leave for U.S.

MOSCOW (Reuter). — Four Soviet cosmonauts left here yesterday for Houston to continue preparations for next year's joint U.S.-Soviet manned space mission.

The cosmonauts, Alexei Yeliseyev, Alexei Leonov, Valery Kubasov and Valery Bykovsky, left with Konstantin Bushuyev, the technical director of the programme from the Soviet side, Tass news agency reported.

Yeliseyev, a veteran of three flights in Soyuz ships, told Tass that problems involving docking the two types of craft had been solved. The American and Soviet ships employ different densities of oxygen, and scientists working on the mission had to devise an air-lock system for transfer between the two craft.

Loan for Egyptian fertilizer plant

CAIRO (AP). — Kuwait has granted Egypt a long-term loan of about $22.75m. for setting up a fertilizer plant, it was announced yesterday.

The agreement was signed this weekend in Kuwait between Yehia Taher, chairman of Al Nasr Fertilizer Company and Saeb Garoudy, chairman of Kuwait's Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development. The loan will be repaid over 25 years at an interest rate of six per cent.

Sets self ablaze

FUERTH, Germany (AP). — Klara Gottschalk, 63, who suffered pain from injuries received in a car accident, poured wood alcohol over herself in front of a cathedral here on Saturday, struck a match and died in the flames moments later.

14 Easter pilgrims killed in Mexico

ACAPULCO, Mexico (Reuter). — Fourteen Roman Catholic pilgrims were killed yesterday and more than 100 injured when a double deck lorry carrying them back from Good Friday ceremonies plunged into a gully near here.

China trade fair in Canton

CANTON (Reuter). — Thousands of foreign businessmen have arrived for the twice-a-year China trade fair which opens today — the first to be held in the huge new exhibition centre just completed here.

Among guests at the opening will be a high-powered British trade delegation led by Lord Nelson, president of the Sino-British Trade Council. The Japanese are expected to be the most numerous of the foreign business groups as usual.

The fair is the showcase for China's exports and the scene of deals worth around one-fifth of China's annual foreign trade.

U.S. naval men shot near Bataan

MANILA (AP). — U.S. Navy seabees building a jungle road to mark the boundary between the American Subic navy base and Bataan province have been evacuated after three of their officers mysteriously were shot dead Saturday, a Navy spokesman said yesterday.

The public affairs officer for Subic bay said the dirt perimeter road along the base's eastern boundary was virtually completed and was intended to mark the border between the naval base and Bataan province to the south of it.

The navy had coordinated with the authorities to prevent squatters from settling on navy land, he said. He said he did not "care to speculate" if the shooting had stemmed from the squatter controversy.

He said the three officers were inspecting the southern part of the road Saturday when construction workers heard shots. They found the bodies of the three officers in the jeep. There were no eyewitnesses.

Rebels close in on Cambodian capital

PHNOM PENH (UPI). — Cambodian Government warplanes yesterday bombed suspected rocket launching sites from which rebels bombarded the capital on Saturday killing six persons and wounding 52, field reports said.

A group of rebel commandos infiltrated the southern section of Phnom Penh late on Saturday night and threw six hand grenades into a group of people celebrating the Cambodian New Year, killing two and wounding 35 others, the reports said. The attack in the Chak Angre area brought the total number of casualties in the two assaults to eight killed and 87 wounded.

Military sources said the rebels fired 12 107 mm. Chinese-made rockets from the southeast fringes of Phnom Penh, where they overran seven Government outposts last week, pushing defenders to within 10 kms. of the city limits. The attack was the worst since February 11, when guerrillas levelled the Phsar Doeum Kor neighbourhood, killing nearly 100 persons and wounding 200.

In South Vietnam, Communist spokesmen said Government warplanes bombed the Vietcongs' *facto* capital at Loc Ninh for the second straight day.

A spokesman for the Vietcong charged that a Buddhist monk was killed and a pagoda destroyed in the bombing, which is in retaliation for the capture of the Government ranger base at Tong Le Chan last Friday.

South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu said that recent heavy fighting — notably the loss of the ranger camp at Tong Le Chan — was evidence that the Communists have not given up their idea of taking the south by force.

The Saigon Command continued to report that there was no word from the estimated 250 survivors from the Tong Le Chan base. Military sources have said the men managed to fight their way through the Communist lines to Government positions, but the command has steadfastedly denied this. *(UPI, Reuter)*

ryat Shmona to become a city

Cabinet promises concrete support

Jerusalem Post Staff

t Shmona, the Upper Ga- evelopment town ravaged week's brutal terrorist at- s to become a city. This cided yesterday by Interior r Yosef Burg in the wake decision taken at yester- abinet meeting to give the more material and moral t than it has received in st.

Burg said he had decided to e status of the town to that ity both as a means of giv- crete form to the Cabinet's , and as a mark of recogni- r the courage and tenacity by the people of Kiryat He has appointed a spe- mmittee to study the legal involved in upgrading the of the town, which has not, met with all the conditions y required before municipal can be granted.

he same time, the Interior decided to upgrade the of Upper Nazareth to that ty in view of its fine immi- absorption record. He noted is marked a change in the ment's policy in Galilee, and pper Nazareth was destined me the leading city in the and the focus of Govern- ctivity in the area. Kiryat and Upper Nazareth will el's 30th and 31st cities.

yesterday's weekly Cabinet . Police Minister Shlomo eported on his conversations embers of the Kiryat Shmona Council after the funeral of ssacre victims. He noted the ors' complaints of Govern- neglect in a wide range of in reply to which Finance r Pinhas Sapir said he had an inter-Ministerial commit- promote the development of n.

committee, headed by assist- igets Director Amiram Sivan Finance Ministry, already met ly on Saturday evening, Sa-

inisters of Health, Religious Education, Commerce, Com- ions and the Interior then reviewed some of their current projects in Kiryat Shmona, and the Police Minister touched on some of the problems involved in assuring the residents greater protection. Acting Chief of Staff Yitzhak Hofi filled in details of the Army's plans to prevent future infiltrations.

Among the projects to be pushed ahead as soon as possible are those of the Education Ministry. The director-general of the Ministry, Elad Peled, who visited the town yesterday, said that all plans already made for the town will be advanced and called for the immediate drawing up of further plans. Among the projects envisaged are more shelters for the town's schools, improved sport and laboratory facilities, and the building of five well equipped youth clubs.

Mr. Peled said he will also appeal to teachers from other parts of the country to move to Kiryat Shmona, which has been suffering from a shortage of properly trained teachers. He said it was also decided to increase the psychiatric counselling services in the town's schools in view of the pressures generated by the security situation.

The Jewish Agency, which operates an absorption centre and youth centre in Kiryat Shmona, is also studying the possibility of extending its activities in the town. Acting chairman Arye Dulzin called for an Executive meeting today to discuss the issue, and a delegation will be sent to the town to study its problems.

The World Wizo Executive met yesterday to see if it could add anything to the day creche, kindergarten and women's club it already operates in the town, and decided to establish a special children's institution.

While messages of condolence and solidarity, including one from the Jerusalem Labour Council, continued to pour in, the emergency committee set up by the Kiryat Shmona Local Council has been busy caring for the needs of the families of victims of the massacre. All residents of the buildings affected by the attack have been offered new flats in recently completed buildings in the town's Eshkol quarter. Meanwhile, they have been put up in hotels and have been provided with financial and whatever other help they have needed.

The Manufacturer's Association has also been quick to come to the victims' aid, and yesterday earmarked IL50,000 for their rehabilitation.

The Histadrut has set up a special committee to see what it can do to help the town over its financial and economic difficulties. Acting Histadrut Secretary-General Yeruham Meshel said yesterday that Hevrat Ovdim, the Histadrut Holding Company, has been asked to set up an electronics plant in the town. Kupat Holim Chairman Asher Yadlin said a 50-bed hospital will be built in Kiryat Shmona as soon as Health Ministry approval is received.

Meanwhile, despite all that is being promised for the town, the general mood in Kiryat Shmona is one of anger and bitterness. The Interior Minister's decision to elevate the local administration to municipal status evoked mixed feelings. "It's not municipal status that we need, but more security," was one typical reaction.

Calls for revenge can still be heard, and workers at the Huleh Textile Works went on strike yesterday, demanding the dismissal of 10 Golan Druse working at the plant. They were eventually persuaded to return to work and refer their demand to the Histadrut for a decision.

The mood of mourning pervaded the annual Galilee march as well, and the 2,500 participants in the event on Saturday decided to refrain from singing along the route, and ended the march in the Tal Grove with a minute's silence for the Kiryat Shmona victims.

soldiers from Peru worship at the Stone of the Anointment the Holy Sepulchre yesterday, Easter Sunday. According tradition, the body of Jesus was removed from the cross and on this stone to be prepared for burial. (Weiss)

ster Sunday observed y all denominations

Jerusalem Post Staff

echo of church bells echoed the Judean Hills yesterday as ds of Christians celebrated in hot, bright sunshine.

joyous celebration ended the ng Easter observance, mar- y by continued firing on the front and the Kiryat Shmo- ssacre.

ms and tourists crowded in- narrow lanes of the Old City salem, as dozens of policemen l with the crowds. The 800- d Church of the Holy Sepul- narking the site of Calvary, e centre of the day's religious

Eastern and Western church- ich celebrated Easter simul- ly for the first time in eight held religious services inside urch.

Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, G. G. Beltritti, led the Roman c procession to the Church, he sang a pontifical high mass the marble crypt marking the Jesus' entombment and re- ion.

t 2,000 Protestants attended s throughout the day at the Tomb outside the walled ear Damascus Gate. Bishop n Hudson, an Anglican pre- om London, officiated at an -language service for about worshippers. Other services eld in German, Dutch, Swe- nnish and Arabic.

he Lower Galilee town of th, the peace of Easter Sun- ontrasted sharply with the roar of Air Force planes heading for the northern front to deal with the Syrian forays around Mt. Hermon.

Bishop Hannah Kaldany officiated in the Franciscan Church of the Annunciation at a High Mass attended by Catholics from Nazareth and the neighbouring villages, and pilgrims from abroad.

Busloads of tourists, from Europe and America, visited the city throughout the day, many of them attending the various services of their respective denominations.

Greek Catholic Archbishop Joseph Raya visited a Syrian P-o-W camp yesterday afternoon and held a service with the men. He said later that the prisoners had voiced no complaints, requesting only Bibles and prayer books. He brought them sweets and Easter eggs, telling them that the gifts came "from Christian, Moslem and Jewish hearts."

Haifa Mayor Yosef Almogi yesterday called on the heads of the Christian sects in the city to convey his holiday greetings.

In Rome, Pope Paul VI in his Easter message yesterday urged Roman Catholics to reject the false gospel of hedonism because ultimately it is "the philosophy of illusion and death."

Speaking before some 250,000 persons gathered in St. Peter's Square, the Pope said the Easter Gospel "is the wise and true interpretation" of human life.

oman stabbed to death in Tel Aviv flat

AVIV. — The police here are gating the suspected murder 60-year-old woman, presum- illed by a kitchen knife on ay night.

eighbour yesterday found the of the victim, Tova Green- lying on the floor of her at 19 Rehov Baal Ha'akeda, e Montefiore Quarter here. to the body was a kitchen The police, who said she had stabbed once in the chest, erred the body to the Insti- f Forensic Medicine at Abu

victim is believed to have a widow, living alone. The are trying to discover any relatives, as well as the mo- or the alleged murder.

Haifa University appointments

HAIFA. — The University of Haifa announced the following promotions and appointments for the academic staff:

Full Professor: Prof. Martin Lakin (Psychology), Prof. Amnon Rappaport (Psychology); Associate Professor: Prof. Joseph Schatzmiller (Jewish History); Senior Lecturer: Ruth Cohen (Art); Senior Teacher: Aryeh Abuladia (Biology); Lecturer: Dr. Uri Eisenzweig (French), Dr. Baruch Ben-Avraham (Jewish History), Dr. Tova Moked (Hebrew Literature); Teaching Fellow: Dr. Yitzhak Levi (Geography); Teacher: Michael Herzig (Physical Education).

30 CONTEMPORARY PRINTS, from U.S. universities, will be exhibited from today at the Technion Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning at Hadar Hacarmel, Haifa. The exhibit, presented by the U.S. Cultural Centre, will subsequently visit the country's other universities.

Academics to strike on books

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Some 120,000 salaried professionals will stop work for two hours on Tuesday, April 23, to protest against income-tax deductions from part of their professional literature allowances, union spokesmen told a press conference yesterday.

The workers belong to 13 national unions representing nurses, biochemists, chemists, social workers, journalists, lawyers, editors of periodicals and physiotherapists.

When the professional literature allowance was increased from a yearly minimum of IL330 to IL530 last year, it was understood that the whole sum would be tax free. However, the Finance Minister failed to issue the appropriate ruling, and the tax authorities have been treating the additional IL200 as regular taxable income. In the budget draft for 1974/75, the maximum non-taxable allowance for professional literature was lowered to IL175 per year.

"The professionals understand the Finance Minister's appeal to tighten our belts, but they fear that the real aim of the Treasury is to equalize wages, reducing to nil the hard-won differentiation of the academically-trained." If the term "professional literature" had been abused, the spokesman said, it was in the "common grade" scale, applying to clerical and general workers.

"We, professionals, need books and buy books, to follow current developments in our fields. In fact, we spend much more than the tax-free allocation," the press was assured.

The "professional literature" allowance was first introduced 17 years ago.

High Court rejects Gonen's plea on Agranat findings

The High Court of Justice yesterday rejected an application by Aluf Shmuel Gonen (Gorodish) to direct the Agranat Inquiry Commission to cancel its findings and conclusions concerning him.

(The Agranat Commission, in its interim report submitted to the Government on Pessah Eve, recommended that Aluf Gonen, who was O/C Southern Command when the Yom Kippur War broke out, be suspended until its work is concluded. Aluf Gonen, in his High Court application, said the Commission had violated paragraph 15 of the Inquiry Commissions Law. That paragraph entitles a person who might be harmed by the Commission's proceedings to be so informed by its chairman, and to be represented at its hearings by an attorney, with a right to question witnesses and present evidence.)

The court ruled that since the Commission's report was only an interim one, Aluf Gonen still had the opportunity to present further evidence and change its conclusion. In any event, stated the court, the final report's findings and conclusions may differ from those in the interim report, and the court should therfore not interfere with the Commission.

The court declined to give a ruling on the interpretation of paragraph 15 of the Inquiry Commissions Law. The Commission, it pointed out, had felt the law did not apply in Aluf Gonen's case, since it based its findings concerning him solely on evidence given by himself, or on documents and minutes of meetings in which he took part. However, added the court, Aluf Gonen was not penalized by the Commission's findings in any event — it had only recommended his suspension until it ends its work, not a termination of his duties, as in the case of other officers. *(Ytim.)*

Tourists say Beirut calm despite border raid

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Beirut was perfectly calm on Saturday, according to tourists who arrived from there yesterday. The group, on the Italian cruise ship, s.s. Irpinia, said that those who hadn't listened to the radio were unaware of anything happening on the Israel border.

The Lebanese they had met did not mention the Israeli Army raid on six border villages, and talked about it only if asked. "They shrugged it off as it was of no concern to them," the tourists said. Two buses from the ship had also toured Damascus, and the Syrian capital, too, appeared quite calm and normal to the sightseers.

The ship brought 750 tourists for a two-day call, most of them Germans, with some French, Italians and Spaniards. Both passengers and ship got a thorough security check, including the hull under the waterline.

Over the weekend, four other passenger vessels arrived with about 2,000 tourists and Easter pilgrims. All but one had to moor at the breakwater yesterday, and their passengers were required to go ashore by launch. On Saturday, however, when the cargo port was not working, the ships were given quay berths.

Edwin Luft, manager of the Daka Travel Company which handled the Irpinia, noted that the tour operators had made special efforts to cooperate with a Tourism Ministry appeal to bring as many cruise ships as possible for Easter, but the breakwater mooring had caused difficulties. The Tourism Ministry had asked for special consideration by the Transport Ministry and the Ports Authority, but its appeals were not met, Mr. Luft said.

Deputy port manager Yoav Yassour told *The Jerusalem Post* that as freighters still had to wait outside the port, and the shipping conferences were still collecting congestion surcharges, the management had felt it was impossible to allocate more than one main quay berth for the passenger ships yesterday.

T.A. tennis tourney nears climax

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Third-seeded U.S. tennis player Larry Parker will tomorrow meet either Israeli No. 1 Yehoshua Shalem or Australian Robert Rheinberger in the men's singles final of the 40th annual Passover International Tennis Championships here.

The semi-final between top-seeded Rheinberger and Shalem, the No. 2 seed, will open today's programme at 1.30 p.m. at the Tel Aviv Maccabi club courts. It will be followed by the women's singles final between New Zealand's second ranking Judy Connor and Norma Eastburn of Australia, with the winner collecting $250 in prize money and the runner-up $100.

Winding up today's programme will be the men's doubles final between Rheinberger-Peter Langsford (New Zealand) and Parker-Lee Tomlinson (U.S.) — awards here are $150 for each of the winners, while the runners-up share $200.

Parker, a 24-year-old tennis coach from Houston, Texas, reached the last round yesterday with a 6-4, 6-0 semi-final win against South African Robert Millington, three years his junior. After trailing 2-4 against his long-haired opponent, the compact Parker came back strongly and reeled off 10 games in a row to make sure of at least $400 in prize money (this could go up to a $1,000 if he wins the final).

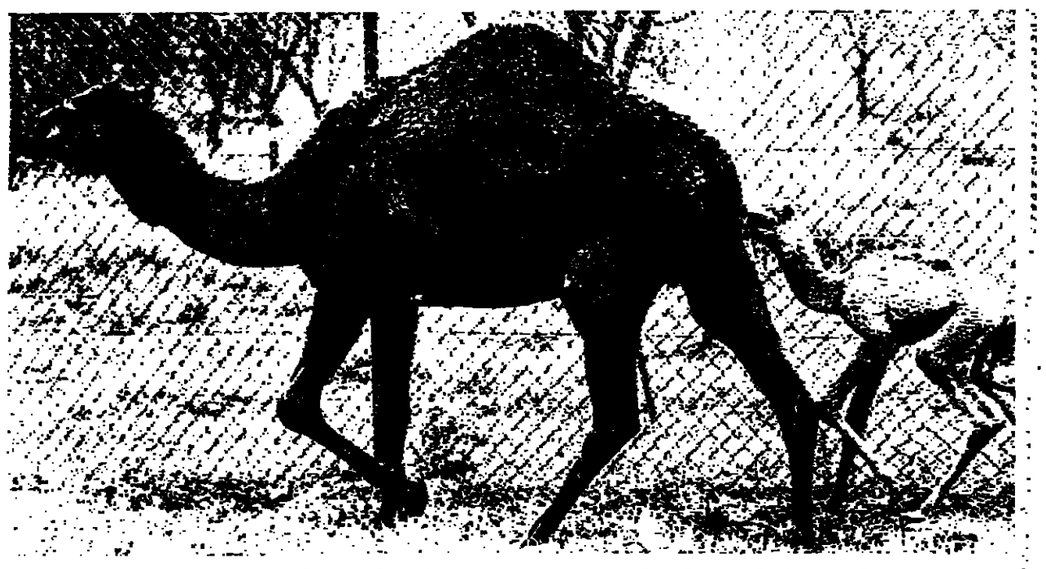
In yesterday's quarter-finals, Shalem edged out his Davis Cup team-mate Felix Kaplan 6-1, 2-6, 6-3, while the lanky Rheinberger came through 7-5, 6-3 against Langsford who, like Kaplan, was not seeded in the first eight.

The afternoon's best match was the see-saw 100-minute encounter between the unflappable "Shuka" Shalem and the bearded, excitable Kaplan, with both men playing very well in patches, but lacking consistency. Kaplan, who has become a popular figure in the local game since immigrating a year ago from Lithuania, on Saturday beat fifth-seeded Robert Casey of Australia in the third round. The defeated quarter-finalists each win $75, and the semi-finalists both get $200.

In last night's men's doubles semi-finals, played under floodlighting, Rheinberger and Langsford squeezed home 1-6, 7-6, 6-3 against Australia's John Eastburn and Israel's No. 2 Yosef Stabholz in a sparkling contest. However, Parker and Tomlinson were less extended in beating Peter Fichbach and Casey of the U.S. by 6-4, 6-3.

Line-up in the women's doubles final tomorrow is sisters Norma and Dianne Eastburn vs Judy Connor and Janine Strauss (Schmahmann), of Israel.

To compensate for the cancellation of the Jerusalem invitation tournament, the Israel Lawn Tennis Association are also awarding cash prizes for both the men's and women's doubles in Tel Aviv (previously, only singles events were included) and increasing cash awards at the Haifa meet, which starts on Thursday at the Carmel Country Club there.



STRANGE BOOTY — A female camel captured by Israeli security forces during a chase after two terrorists is recently seen in the Ramat Gan Safari Park with her 20 kg. calf, born since her capture.

$18.4m. rise in foreign reserves

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

Israel's foreign exchange reserves rose by $18.4m. in March, to a total of $1,534.5m., according to the Bank of Israel's monthly balance-sheet.

The cause of the increase was alterations in exchange-rates abroad during the month of March, which up-graded the dollar value of Israel's holdings. Had it not been for these fluctuations, the reserves would have dropped by $16.6m. (This indicates that good fortune or good judgment in the choice of currencies retained by the central bank added a total of $35m. to the reserves in a single month.)

The Government's debt to the Bank swelled by IL206m.—though March is the last month in the budgetary year, during which the Government's overdraft usually diminishes.

All the debt increase was due to overspending by the Government, sources in the Bank observe.

30-year search for son's grave ends in Ramle

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An elderly Greek tourist yesterday in Ramle ended a 30-year quest for the grave of his son, who was killed during the Second World War. Energetic efforts by officials of the Israel Tourism Ministry traced the burial place to the British cemetery in Ramla.

The tourist, Silaretos Vasilas, arrived in Haifa on Saturday aboard the liner Odesseus, and appealed to Tourist Ministry officials in the port city to help him find the grave of his son, believed to have been buried in what is today Israeli territory. He was killed while serving as an officer with the British forces in the Middle East.

Ministry officials enlisted the aid of the British Military Attache in Tel Aviv. An intense search of the records revealed that Silaretos was buried in the British military cemetery in Ramle.

Likud: Alignment getting fair deal in Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The municipality's Likud-led majority told the High Court of Justice yesterday that it had no intention of denying the Alignment opposition its rightful representation on municipal committees.

It said this in its reply to last month's application by the Alignment to the Court, claiming that the coalition was discriminating against it in the number of seats allotted on the various committees. The Alignment has 11 of the city council's 31 members. Along with independent Avraham Boyar they constitute the opposition.

The Likud argues that while it is bound to grant the Alignment proportional representation in total committee members, it is not bound to do so in each and every committee. The problem was not raised regarding important municipal committees such as the Finance Committee, it says, but only concerning such secondary committees as that in charge of the fire department and the adoption of the army's Armoured Corps.

The Alignment had also referred to representation in the various Dan Region municipal unions, such as those dealing with sewage and sanitation. Here, the Likud argues, there is no regulation stipulating proportional representation, as municipal employees, who are not chosen on party basis, are also represented.

The Supreme Court, which last month ordered the Council to delay choosing committees, is to decide the issue within a month.

CABINET NAMES NEW SENIOR OFFICIALS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Druse Sheikh Jaber Muadi, who was Deputy Minister of Communications under Shimon Peres in the last Cabinet, will hold the same post again, this time under Minister Aharon Uzzan, the Cabinet decided at its weekly meeting yesterday.

The appointment of Muadi, who is an Alignment-affiliated Knesset Member, will take effect with the appropriate announcement in the Knesset, whenever that may be.

The fact that the Government is already a transitional Government, and its duration of term is unknown, does not detract from its authority to appoint deputy ministers. It cannot, however, appoint ministers, nor can any of its ministers resign.

The Cabinet appointed Minister-without-Portfolio Gideon Hausner to represent it on the council and the managing committee of the Yitzhak Ben Zvi Memorial Foundation, Yad Ben Zvi. (Police Minister Shlomo Hillel represented the Cabinet on these bodies before the elections.)

In other appointments, the Cabinet approved David Farhi as director-general of the Ministry of Information; Moshe Mandelbaum as director-general of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry; and Michael Kirsh as Jerusalem District Attorney.

Farhi, 38, is a Tel Aviv-born Oriental scholar who was last a lieutenant-colonel in the Judea and Samaria Command with special duties. He is an expert on the Palestinians.

Mandelbaum, 40, born in Jerusalem, has been a senior economist in the Commerce Ministry since 1960, and became Price Controller in 1971. He replaces Gideon Lahav.

Kirsh, 38, also Jerusalem-born, served in various posts in the bureaus of the Jerusalem District Attorney and the State Attorney as of 1961, and also lectured at the Hebrew University.

THE 18TH CENTURY music series' second programme will be conducted by Stanley Sperber. The concert, by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, will take place on Thursday, April 18.

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East Germany decides to go the whole way to socialism

By JOHN DORNBERG
Special to The Jerusalem Post

MUNICH.— A SECOND revolution, barely noticed thus far in the West, is sweeping East Germany.

While other Communist countries are vaguely toying with loosening the reins to allow a little more free enterprise, especially on the trade, crafts and services sector, the German Democratic Republic is moving toward more socialism.

The remnants of private enterprise are being eradicated by means of thinly disguised expropriation and at a speed and intensity which reminds some observers of East Germany's forced collectivization of agriculture in the spring of 1960.

The purpose of this drive, to quote one ideologist of the GDR's ruling Socialist Unity Party (SED), is "to erase the last remaining birthmarks of the old order and the old society."

The first step in this campaign, launched in the spring of 1972, less than a year after the late Walter Ulbricht's fall from power, called for nationalization of East Germany's semi-state and privately owned industrial enterprises.

NATIONALIZATION

These were small and medium-sized companies which, until the end of 1971, had accounted for more than 11 per cent of the GDR's gross national product.

Nearly 3000 of these were entirely in private hands and another 5600 were partly state-owned, usually in 50-50 partnership with their private owners and managers.

Among them were such internationally known firms as Zeuke & Wegwerth K.G., makers of high quality toy and model railroads, and *Heinz Bormann's high fashion* house. Bormann, whose creations had cornered a substantial chunk of the West European boutique market, is known as the "Red Christian Dior."

Many of these companies, though they also worked under the strictures of East Germany's planned economy and were being taxed at rates of 90 per cent on profits, gave the GDR a special flavour in the Communist world. The spirit of free enterprise and private initiative that motivated them, helped to make East Germany the most industrially advanced and competitive country in the Soviet bloc.

By the middle of last year, virtually all the private owners and partners of these firms had been "persuaded" to sell out to the state.

The sell-out was cloaked as a "voluntary" movement, although it was in fact under political and economic duress. It was tantamount to expropriation because the money the old owners received as compensation has been placed in trust deposits from which they may draw no more than $4000 a year, and then only if they have no other sources of income.

The private manufacturing sector of East Germany's economy decreased to less than half a per cent of the GNP.

Now, within recent weeks, the campaign has entered its second phase designed to also "socialize" the butcher, the baker and the candlestick-maker — East Germany's remaining private tradesmen, artisans and craftsmen.

Among them are tailors, cobblers, plumbers, roofers, watchmakers, electricians, television repairmen, chimney sweeps, painters, plasterers, carpenters, locksmiths and auto mechanics. In short, all those who keep the country reasonably serviceable, repaired and in running order.

At the beginning of 1972 there were 111,000 of them. By the start of 1973 their number had dwindled to 105,000 and by mid-1974 the party would like to see it reduced to less than 100,000.

They are being forced to join trade and craft cooperatives of which there are around 4000 around the country. Many of the cooperatives, in turn, are being nationalized because over the years they have drifted from doing service and repair work, the initial purpose for their establishment, to more lucrative small manufacturing.

Again the campaign is described as "voluntary" and the official press burgeons with testimonials from tradesmen and artisans who have pledged to do their bit for socialism.

But like most such "voluntary" campaigns in the GDR, it is being conducted with massive behind-the-scenes pressure.

TYPICAL CASE

A typical case is that of Emil Roos, 34, a master roofer in Hagenow, Mecklenburg. Roos got a licence to do business only three years ago and in 1973 over-fulfilled the official roof repair plan by 270 per cent. But now town authorities are trying to pressure him into a cooperative.

When he announced publicly that "I'd rather sweep streets than join a co-op," the pressure mounted. The local tax office arbitrarily slapped him with a $4200 lien. In order to pay it, he had to sell his panel truck, making it virtually impossible to do business.

The town government also passed an edict barring him from hiring additional employees. He now has five. The case is pending with East Germany's ministry of construction.

Observers here see high-level political motivations behind the socialization campaign.

Erich Honecker, the East German party chief, always talked more sharply in class terms than did Ulbricht, who after his fall was criticized for treating East German society as if it were already without class distinctions.

Now Honecker is apparently responding to some of his more orthodox ideological advisers who complain that there is too much private wealth and privilege.

Honecker's ideological stiffening also fits in well with Leonid Brezhnev's contention that "peaceful coexistence" with capitalism must not imply ideological reconciliation.

U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and his wife, Nancy, chat over refreshments with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and his wife at the Soviet Embassy in Washington on Saturday. (AP radiophoto)

ULSTER EASTER CELEBRATIONS
Marchers kill soldier

BELFAST (UPI). — A Londonderry mob broke away from an Easter march commemorating the 1916 uprising against British rule and attacked two plainclothes soldiers with guns and sticks, the army said yesterday.

One soldier was shot to death but the other escaped after being beaten and shot at in the Catholic Bogside area, the army said.

Army troops were placed on maximum alert for the day's marches throughout Northern Ireland, but uniformed troops kept a low profile. Plainclothes soldiers, armed with revolvers, such as the two attacked in Londonderry, were assigned to observe the marches.

The provisional IRA said the two attacked soldiers were members of the Special Air Services and had received covering rifle fire from the top of a nine-storey apartment building.

The army said the charges were "nonsense." It said there had been no fire from security forces and that the dead soldier was a captain in the Coldstream Guards.

The IRA also said that in spite of "this blatant breakage of the truce" it would maintain a defensive role the rest of the week.

In other weekend action, British soldiers opened fire on a Protestant mob rioting in Belfast's Shankhill Road area on Saturday night and wounded three civilians. An army spokesman said the soldiers began shooting after the crowd beat up several troopers, two of whom required hospitalization.

Computer 'shadchan'

ATLANTA, Georgia (AP).—The Atlanta Rabbinical Association, saying the city is a popular place for Jewish singles, is starting a Jewish computer dating service to offset a rapid rise in inter-faith marriages.

"It's not that we're being snobbish, but we feel that we have to preserve our own faith," said Rabbi Donald Frieman, president of the association. Frieman, whose congregation is Conservative, said he believes that "A Jewish person has done wrong if he marries outside the faith."

The service, Jewish Compudate, matches would-be companions in 60 areas, including religion and philosophy of life, conformity to social standards and attitudes toward sex.

Users are charged a fee, which goes to a company in Philadelphia that matches the profiles by computer. Frieman said the out-of-town firm was selected "to make the files inaccessible and assure privacy."

The computer service began matching the first profiles "within the last 10 days," Frieman said. "We're just beginning."

He said the association believes the service will be able to promote more meetings between Jewish men and women of the age of 18 or older, in this way decreasing the rate at which Jews and Gentiles inter-marry.

"A great many single young Jewish men and women are coming into Atlanta, making it a Mecca for Jewish singles," Frieman said. However he thought they weren't able to meet enough interesting persons of their own faith through personal contacts.

U.S. launches first 'local satellite'

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (AP). — America's first domestic satellite was launched on Saturday, opening a new era in communications by cutting some costs by as much as 50 per cent.

The satellite, designed to speed "space mail" and other commercial messages across the U.S., is expected to begin operations in August.

Named "Westar," it is the first satellite built for relaying commercial traffic within U.S. borders. It was orbited for Western Union by a National Aeronautics and Space Administration Delta rocket.

Western Union predicts that Westar 1 and a second satellite to be launched in June will greatly increase the company's capacity for commercial and personal communications. A Western Union vice-president said there will be substantial reductions in costs to the consumer. *(AP, UPI)*

Mart group on visit to Jordan

AMMAN (Reuter). — A European Common Market delegation arrived here yesterday for talks with King Hussein and senior Jordanian officials.

The visit follows a recent decision by the Mart to seek wider cooperation with the Arab countries.

Four million take the plunge in holy Ganges

NEW DELHI (Reuter). — About four million devout Hindus bathed in the holy waters of the Ganges at the north Indian town of Hardwar yesterday, climaxing the ancient festival of Kumbh Mela.

The week-long festival is held every 12 years, and dates back to the Seventh Century.

Pilgrims from all over India took the plunge in the icy waters of the Ganges at one of the designated bathing places in the belief the sacred waters would wash away their sins and those of their ancestors for 88 generations.

The holiest of the bathing periods was heralded early yesterday by several thousand sadhus (holy men), hundreds of them naked, wading into the river to the chanting of prayers in full sight of the milling crowds.

The bathing of the saffron-robed holy men and the naked, ash-covered sadhus lasted several hours before the laity was allowed to have its plunge.

Also in the crowd were several hundred western "hippies," many of them draped in saffron.

The millions at Hardwar had started collecting almost two weeks ago, arriving on foot, in bullock carts and trains or by road.

U.S. crime worse than statistics

WASHINGTON (AP). — Crime in the U.S.'s five largest cities is about three times as high as police figures show, according to a new U.S. Government study.

The study, conducted by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) and the U.S. Census Bureau, showed that 68 of every 1,000 Detroit residents are likely to be victims of serious crime. The rates were 63 per 1,000 for Philadelphia, 56 per 1,000 for Chicago, 53 per 1,000 for Los Angeles and 36 per 1,000 for New York.

Results of the study, made public last night, carry "a strong message of public apathy toward its criminal justice institutions bordering on contempt," said LEAA administrator Donald Santarelli.

"The crime survey results demonstrate that in an astounding number of instances Americans simply do not think it is worthwhile to report to public authorities that they have been the victims of criminal acts," he added.

Gunpowder scare at Cairo airport

CAIRO (Reuter). — Air raid sirens wailed and a state of emergency was declared at Cairo's international airport when a passenger's suitcase, packed with gunpowder, caught fire, Cairo newspapers said yesterday.

The suitcase went up in flames on Saturday soon after an Egyptian airliner landed from Beirut. One of the passengers had bought the gun powder for use in toy pistols, the newspapers added.

BICKERING ON THE RIGHT IN FRANCE

PARIS (Reuter). — French presidential candidates yesterday observed an Easter truce of electioneering silence after Saturday's surprise call from four cabinet ministers and a group of majority deputies for a sole contender on the right.

The move was made in a statement put out by Interior Minister Jacques Chirac, Justice Minister Jean Taittinger, Information Minister Jean-Philippe Lecat, and Olivier Stinn, Secretary of State in charge of Parliamentary Relations. It was also signed by 39 deputies—33 of them Gaullists. But their action was seen here as certain to fall on deaf ears, especially after Prime Minister Pierre Messmer's abortive efforts on Tuesday to get Finance Minister Valery Giscard d'Estaing and former Premier Jacques Chaban-Delmas to stand down in his favour.

The signatories of Saturday night's statement said the multiplicity of candidatures from men who have lent a hand to the work begun by General De Gaulle and George Pompidou "is perhaps understandable but above all deeply regrettable."

In stark contrast to the bickering within the majority ranks, Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand could look back with satisfaction on his first week as the Left's sole candidate.

His electoral hopes were given a boost by the paper "France-Soir" which on Saturday published a poll forecasting that the 57-year-old Socialist leader would capture 40 per cent of the vote in the first round of voting on May 5.

The poll said Chaban-Delmas would win 29 per cent and Giscard d'Estaing 27 per cent. But it also forecast that in the second round Mitterand would lose narrowing either of the majority candidates.

Council meets today on Beirut complaint

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel is confident that the U.S. would oppose any unbalanced draft resolution that might be submitted to the Security Council, due to meet today to discuss Friday night's Israeli raid into Lebanon.

Political circles in Jerusalem said they expected the U.S. delegation to fight against any draft that sought to condemn the bloodless reprisal raid, without condemning the terrorist slaughter at Kiryat Shmona which had preceded it.

Jerusalem had been gratified by the strong State Department condemnation of the terror attack, the sources said, and they expected this U.S. attitude to be maintained at the Security Council.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban briefed the Cabinet yesterday on the likely developments at the Coun[cil] meeting.

Mr. Eban also referred to [his] contacts with the U.S. governm[ent] over the $2.2 billion in aid wh[ich] has been earmarked for Israel. W[ell-]placed sources in Jerusalem s[aid] they still hoped that $1.5 billion [of] this sum would be awarded as [a] grant — despite the current del[ay] in Washington in deciding whet[her] part of the $1.5 billion would [in] fact be a loan. (The other $0.7 bi[l-]lion had originally been earmark[ed] as a loan.)

The sources recalled that U[.S.] Secretary of State Henry Kissing[er] had undertaken that the aid wo[uld] eventually come through to Israe[l to] satisfaction and they said they h[ad] no reason for pessimism at t[his] time.

Inhabitants of the south Lebanese village of Yarin search the rubble [of] this house, blown up by an Israeli unit in Friday night's raid. (AP radiop[hoto])

Mexican yacht takes world troph[y]

PORTSMOUTH, England (AP). — The Mexican yacht "Sayula" won the World Yacht Race's major trophy on handicap yesterday.

She crossed the finish line at 1607 GMT before a crowd of several thousand on the seafront at Southsea near Portsmouth. Other yachts had crossed the finish line already, but the Mexican craft was declared the winner after various handicap adjustments.

"Sayula," captained by washing machine magnate Ramon Carlin, had been plagued by calm conditions on the last few kilometres of her round-the-world voyage.

Race officials became concer[ned] about the craft after failing [to] make radio contact with her [for] about two days and yeste[rday] morning sent aircraft out to look [for] her. The aircraft spotted her off [the] Isle of Wight in the English Cha[nnel] about 16 kms. from the finish [and] and sailing briskly in.

Great Britain II, piloted by C[...] Blyth, took honours for being fa[stest] around the world when it arr[ived] at the Portsmouth naval base [on] Thursday after 144 days at sea. *(AP, U[PI])*

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The weekend it all came into the open
WATERGATE: ONE YEAR AFTER

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Exactly one year ago, during Palm Sunday weekend, the Watergate cover-up cracked wide open.

It was a weekend of tears, confessions and hushed conversations.

The groundwork had been laid in preceding weeks. James McCord Jr., the security chief for the Committee to Re-elect the President (CRP) and the electronic eavesdropping expert on the Watergate burglary team, had written Chief U.S. District Judge John J. Sirica in March charging there had been perjury and political pressure during the original Watergate trial. Sirica reconvened the Grand Jury.

White House Counsel John Dean had gone to the Federal prosecutor earlier in April. Many of the news media had assigned investigative reporters full-time to Watergate.

Then came Palm Sunday weekend.

Jeb Stuart Magruder, deputy campaign director and then a high official in the Commerce Department, went to Federal prosecutors on Saturday to tell of his role in the Watergate planning. So did Herbert "Bart" Porter, CRP scheduling director, who said that Magruder had asked him to lie about the money that was paid to G. Gordon Liddy, CRP finance counsel and mastermind of the Watergate break-in.

That afternoon, John Ehrlichman, White House domestic affairs adviser, called Attorney-General Richard Kleindienst. Kleindienst testified at the Senate hearings last summer that Ehrlichman told him:

"Well, it really doesn't make any difference any more... Mr. Magruder has been over here at the White House this afternoon and telling us that he has been meeting with the U.S. Attorney's office and giving them testimony and evidence that would implicate people high and low in the White House and in the campaign committee."

That night, Kleindienst testified, he met at his suburban home with Assistant Attorney-General Henry Petersen, head of the Justice Department's criminal division; U.S. Attorney Harold Titus; and the chief Watergate prosecutor, Earl Silbert.

Kleindienst testified that he learned for the first time the whole story of the Watergate break-in and cover-up and that his closest friends and associates were involved.

"I think one of the things I did that night, I wept," he said.

Kleindienst said he could not sleep that night, and early the next day he called at the White House to make an appointment to see President Nixon. He then went to the White House worship service and reception and met the President at 1 p.m. in the Executive Office Building.

Kleindienst said he told Nixon everything he had learnt. "He was dumbfounded. He was very upset."

That night, according to Dean's later testimony at the Senate hearings, he also had a conversation with Nixon. Dean said he informed Nixon what he had told the prosecutors.

He said Nixon, at one point, got out of his chair, went to a corner of the room and said almost inaudibly that it had been a mistake to discuss clemency for one of the Watergate defendants.

The House Judiciary Committee now has subpoenaed the tape recordings of 41 Nixon conversations. Among them are a number of the conversations which Nixon held that Saturday and Sunday with White House Chief of Staff H.R. Haldeman, and with Ehrlichman, Petersen and Kleindienst.

Two weeks later Nixon fired Dean and announced the resignation of Kleindienst and Ehrlichman.

A year later, Attorney Titus has retired and Silbert is his acting successor. Both were taken off the Watergate case in May when Kleindienst's successor, Elliot Richardson, named a special prosecutor.

Dean and Magruder have pleaded guilty to conspiracy to obstruct justice and are awaiting sent[ence]. Porter was sentenced to serv[e] days for lying to the FBI. Eh[rlich-]man is under indictment on counts of lying and conspiracy.

The White House says the [re-]cording of Dean's conversation [with] Nixon is non-existent because [the] machine ran out of tape.

And the House Judiciary [Com-]mittee is conducting an inquiry [into] the possible impeachment of P[resi-]dent Nixon.

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Political foes were put in mental homes

EGYPT'S 'BASTILLES' ARE EXPOSED

AIRO (Reuter). — An Egyptian parliamentary committee is investigating the conitions in mental hospitals here, described "Bastilles" where sane people are inrcerated for political and personal reasons.

The committee was set up after the Egyptian eekly magazine "Akher-Saa" revealed how atients live in the hospitals, and in particular e main Khanka hospital near Cairo, where atients were alleged to have been beaten, drugd and subjected to "indecent acts."

Publication of the magazine's series followed e lifting of press censorship on all but milary affairs in February. The Egyptian press ad never published articles on "the negative pects" of Nasser's regime.

One case revealed by the magazine was that 45-year-old journalist and writer Ismail elahdawi, who disappeared about four years go and was thought by his friends to be in ll.

The magazine said the "centres of power," reference to the late president Nasser's aides, ere behind Mahdawi's admission to the hostal for political reasons.

An "indecent act" was committed against ahdawi in the hospital when he described the ctors as "hound dogs of the centres of power," e magazine said.

There have been references from time to me to deteriorating conditions in mental hostals in Egypt, including the fact that some women patients had become pregnant.

But the details, published by "Akher-Saa," came as a shock to people here and added to resentment felt by many anti-Nasserites.

Mahmoud Abu Wafiye, a member of the People's Assembly (parliament), played a leading role in revealing the so-called shortcomings of Nasser's regime, described in the magazine series as "a shame for the whole of Egypt... all of us are responsible for this."

Other investigations have been ordered.

The magazine said Khanka hospital had become another "Bastille," where people lived half-naked on rugs, almost beggars, with not enough food, no cigarettes and no soap.

If any patient defied orders or complained about bad treatment, he would be condemned to the notorious "cell no. 9," where he would be thrown naked on the floor without food or water for days.

Mahdawi's case was not the only one of "political madness," the magazine said.

A school teacher who had worked in Egypt, Iraq and Saudi Arabia had been in hospital since 1957, after his arrest, because of his call for "the restoration of the people's freedom and the supremacy of law."

The man, Saadeddin Mohammed Hassanein, was acquitted by the prosecution for lack of evidence to charge him. But instead of being released he was sent to Khanka hospital for a medical check-up, because "what he said could not come from a sane person," the magazine said.

A 55-year-old agronomist, Abdel Rahman el-Hefnawy, put his name forward to run for the presidency, allowed under the constitution. But this cost him three years in Khanka "because no stable-minded person would do what he did."

He was reinstated in his job at the Ministry of Agriculture eight years ago only after his wife threatened the director of the mental health organization that she would leave her children at his flat because she could not feed them.

With mental doctors only in charge, disease spreads among the patients, mainly pneumonia and malaria, the magazine said. In Khanka there were only 15 doctors for the estimated 3,000 patients. Shortage of nursing staff was acute, with only two nurses during the day and one during the night, for 100 patients.

The best treatment went to rich patients who could pay the nurses extra, the magazine said.

Under a 1944 law a man could be admitted to a mental hospital by the police, a court, or a private complaint that he was mentally sick. Officially he is supposed to be put under observation for 45 days, but in many cases, especially political ones, his admission to the hospital could mean his fate was decided for good, "Akher-Saa" said.

Health Minister Mahmoud Mahfouz has formed a committee to investigate the charges against hospital staff.

Two Arab institutions in the U.S. were attacked over the weekend, apparently in retaliation for the Arab terrorist massacre at Kiryat Shmona. The above photograph shows the Arab Information Centre in San Francisco after it was ransacked by five masked men on Friday. Yesterday, a small bomb exploded in the building housing the Lebanese consulate in Los Angeles but caused little damage. The consulate was unoccupied at the time. An anonymous telephone caller claimed the bomb was a reprisal for the terrorist attack on Kiryat Shmona.

U.S. 'copters to sweep Canal at end of month

CAIRO (Reuter). — The Suez Canal will be swept of magnetic and acoustic mines by mid-July, Rear-Admiral Brian McCauley of the U.S. Navy said yesterday.

But, he told a news conference here, it would take much longer, perhaps a year, for the waterway to be clear of other explosives dropped into it during six years of Egyptian-Israeli fighting.

A spokesman for the American navy's part of the Egyptian-U.S.-British Mine-clearing operation said Israel had provided "very useful" information in the past two days on the location and types of weapons in the Canal.

Admiral McCauley, who commands the U.S. task force, said the Egyptian authorities had told him they did not put any mines in the Canal, which formed the front line between the Egyptian and Israeli armies from June 1967, until last October.

The Admiral said the 12 U.S. helicopters which are due to start sweeping the Canal of magnetic and acoustic mines by the end of this month will take six to eight weeks over the task. They will arrive off Port Said at the end of this month aboard the carrier Iwo Jima, a U.S. spokesman said.

He added that the admiral's estimate of a year for the complete *clearing of mines, shells and bombs* from the Canal was only approximate, because it was impossible to give a precise time limit until the Canal bottom has been mapped and the size of the problem can be assessed.

McCauley said the Egyptians will do all the diving and the Americans will only instruct and advise them. "A school will be set up in Ismailia to teach the Egyptians the technicalities of the operation," he said.

Asked if he thought that navigation would be safe immediately after clearing was completed, McCauley answered, "I think it would still be dangerous, but the decision to reopen the Canal for shipping wil be for the Egyptians to make. It is up to the Suez Canal Authority." *(Reuter, AP)*

BUKOVSKY HUNGER STRIKE

Vladimir Bukovsky. (AP)

MOSCOW (Reuter). — Russian dissident Vladimir Bukovsky is staging a protest hunger strike in a Urals labour camp with the backing of several other political prisoners, dissident sources said yesterday.

The sources said his mother, Nina Bukovsky, had heard that her son, who is said to be seriously ill, started the strike several days ago in a labour camp punishment cell.

The latest news about Bukovsky throws further light on a report from dissident sources on Saturday that several dozen political prisoners in two Urals labour camps had started fasting in protest at his prolonged detention in solitary confinement.

Yesterday's report said an unknown number of prisoners in Bukovsky's own camp were staging a hunger strike to back demands for the 31-year-old dissident's transfer to hospital.

Earlier this month, Bukovsky's mother said she had heard her son was suffering from a weak heart, rheumatism and a liver complaint. She told western newsmen she was afraid he might die before the end of his 12-year sentence, imposed in 1972 for anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda.

Bukovsky is soon due to be transferred to Vladimir prison, where conditions are said to be much harsher than in a labour camp.

He became known in the west for publicising allegations that sane political dissenters were being confined to psychiatric hospitals in the Soviet union because of their views.

Dutch see better ties with Arabs

AMSTERDAM (Reuter). — Dutch Foreign Minister Max van der Stoel said here yesterday he believed relations were improving between Holland and Arab countries.

However, Mr. van der Stoel said this did not mean that the end of the Arab oil embargo against Holland was in sight.

He told reporters on his return from attending a UN conference on raw materials in New York that he had talks there with the foreign ministers of Egypt, Kuwait and the United Emirates. "The atmosphere in which these talks took place was very positive. I do believe that relations with the Arab countries are clearly improving," Mr. van der Stoel said.

Mr. van der Stoel said he made it clear to the Arab ministers that Holland was interested in friendly relations with the Arab countries. The Dutch Foreign Minister said he had made no commitments on any increase in Dutch aid to the Arab countries. He had talked, however, about the Dutch plan for assistance within the framework of the Common Market.

He added that there was every reason for the European countries to give the greatest possible support to U.S. Secretary of State Dr. Henry Kissinger's efforts for a peaceful settlement in the Middle East.

PAPER REPORTS ON 'DEAL OFFER'

'Rhodesia tried to keep documents dark'

LONDON (AP). — The "Sunday Times" said yesterday that the Rhodesian Government tried to "make a deal" with it to prevent publication of a report on embarrassing secret documents.

The newspaper said that the documents suggest that European and American firms helped Rhodesia build up its steel industry despite U.N. sanctions. The documents came from Kenneth McIntosh, 35, a British subject and formerly investment manager of Nefichro Acceptances, Ltd., a Rhodesian merchant bank.

A Rhodesian court sentenced McIntosh on April 3 to five years in prison under the Rhodesian Sanctions Counter-Espionage Act. The judge said McIntosh had planned to export documents that could endanger the Rhodesian economy.

The "Sunday Times" said that McIntosh had mailed some documents to his brother-in-law in Aberdeen even before the trial, and he in turn gave them to the newspaper.

As the documents were being prepared this past week for Sunday publication, the newspaper said, "The Rhodesians sent an emissary to London to make a deal with this newspaper."

The "Sunday Times" named the emissary as D.P.R. O'Beirne, a partner in the law firm that defended McIntosh. The paper said O'Beirne told its editors he had been sent by the Deputy Attorney-General of Rhodesia, Brendan Treacy.

The newspaper described O'Beirne's proposition this way: "If the 'Sunday Times' would return the documents and refrain from publishing its report, the Rhodesian authorities would reduce the sentence on McIntosh to 2½ years."

The "Sunday Times" said it refused the deal, and yesterday it carried a front-page story on the proposition. The paper said that the documents suggest that at least £24m. has been poured into Rhodesia despite U.N. sanctions to help it double its steel production.

The "Sunday Times" said Austrian, German, Swiss and American firms were involved in the loan scheme.

Jakarta drivers get more than generals

JAKARTA (Reuter). — Jakarta bus drivers will receive higher wages than Indonesian Army generals from next month under a new pay scheme announced here.

A Jakarta administration spokesman said last night the bus drivers' monthly salary would be raised to 43,000 rupiahs (about IL430) and a conductor would earn 21,125 rupiahs (IL215) a month from May 5.

The official salary of an Indonesian Army general is 30,000 rupiahs (about IL300) a month.

CROWN PRINCE SUPERSEDED

elassie makes Oxford grandson successor

BABA (Reuter). — Emaile Selassie, 81, anyesterday that he has s grandson, 20-year-old are Yakob, Acting Crown

statement at the Jubilee the Emperor told the govthat the Prince, now studyOxford University, had su his father, Crown Prince Wossen, 57.

Constitutional experts said the tion could mean that, on the Emrori death or abdication, Prince re Yakob might become regent, ded by the Crown Council, until e death of his father, when the ne would inherit the throne.

The father, Crown Prince Asfa ossen, suffered a severe stroke in uary 1972 and was flown to nion. He is now in Switzerland, d little is known here of his con in other than that he is underd to be partially paralysed.

It was assumed here that the peror's decision bore directly on illness of the prince's father.

Since the outbreak of the trouble Ethiopia in February, Emperor ile Selassie has seemed visibly er and more tired-looking.

During yesterday's announcement, the microphone had to be held close to the Emperor's lips and, even then, it was difficult to hear what he said.

Observers here said it was obvious that the absolute powers of the monarchy were being whittled away by the new government under Prime Minister Endalkachew Makonnen, 46.

In a government report published last week, the government pledged its support to a new 30-member commission that is considering a revision of the constitution.

An important part of the revision is to institute a constitutional monarchy and make the Prime Minister and his government directly responsible to parliament and not, as at present, to the palace.

Young Prince Zare Yakob has received a broad foreign education, first going to Eton, then to McGill University in Montreal, where he studied political science, and finally to Exeter College at Oxford University, where he is still an undergraduate.

Prince Zare Yakob, who is in Geneva for the weekend, had no immediate comment yesterday on the announcement that he had been made the Acting Crown Prince.

'Gaddafi doesn't want to be a popular idol'

BEIRUT (AP). — Libyan Premier Abdel Salam Jalloud has denied that there has been any struggle for power between him and Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi, according to an interview published here yesterday.

"An Nahar" quoted Jalloud as emphasizing that Gaddafi's role had not been diminished and that he was still chairman of the Revolution Command Council and Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces.

"We would like to make Colonel Gaddafi a popular idol, but he disagrees," said Jalloud. He claimed that the decree, issued last week relieving Gaddafi of his political, executive and traditional roles, was "misinterpreted, misunderstood and deliberately misquoted by some Arab newspapers."

"Gaddafi," he said, "was fatigued by the cermonial functions, and Gaddafi is by nature against protocol. It was decided that he should devote all his time to significant duties, rather than attend to minor details and meaningless functions."

In another interview, conducted hours before Jalloud's, the paper's correspondent reported that Gaddafi refused to comment on the decree. Gaddafi also refused to react to widespread reports that Jalloud had stripped him of most of his powers and made him a figurehead.

Gaddafi, in the interview, praised the terrorist massacre in Kiryat Shmona. "That operation was long overdue," said Gaddafi. "The commandos have for the first time broken the barrier of fear."

Gaddafi pledged unlimited military and financial support to Syria because "it is the only Arab country still fighting Israel."

SOVIET PAPER ON U.S. HISTORY

Reactionaries blamed for Lincoln's death

MOSCOW (AP). — A leading Soviet newspaper yesterday blamed "reactionary circles" in the U.S. for the death of Abraham Lincoln more than 100 years ago.

"Komsomolskaya Pravda" devoted a lengthy article to Lincoln and his "reactionary" persecutors, including the American press, on the 109th anniversary of the American President's death — April 14, 1865.

"Reactionary circles" is also the label the Soviet press has fixed on those in the U.S. who have voiced opposition to or distrust in Soviet-U.S. detente.

Russian newspapers have attacked "reactionary circles" for their criticism of Watergate-troubled President Nixon.

"The reactionaries were ready to use any methods in the struggle against unwanted political leaders — like now," said the article, written by historian R. Ivanov.

"Lincoln's assassination was the first great act of violence of reactionaries on the historical road of the American people," Ivanov added. "Again and again, reactionaries have made a vain bid to remove, no matter in what way, president who did not satisfy them, trying thus to prevent the course of history."

The historian said there are many unanswered questions surrounding the killing of Lincoln, whom he called "the most popular national figure in America."

Outlining a conspiracy theory, Ivanov said that John Wilkes Booth was set up to kill Lincoln by an alliance of the reactionary circles of the north and south. The reactionaries were afraid that a "united front of liberation would be created by liberated slaves in the south and labourers in the north," the historian said.

The removal of Lincoln, who freed the slaves by proclamation, "was a necessary condition to start a struggle for the restoration of positions lost by the plantation owners in the civil war," he added.

Ivanov claimed that the U.S. press must share the blame in the assassination. He quoted the "New York Tribune" as saying in 1865: "It is clear, bright as day, that the starting point of this terrible act was the devilish, hostile campaign (against Lincoln) carried out and developed by the mutinous press of the north and south."

The American press has come under sharp attack recently in Soviet newspapers for pessimism regarding detente and Secretary of State Kissinger's recent Moscow talks on strategic arms limitation.

Lincoln was praised by Ivanov for improving relations between the U.S. and Tsarist Russia.

"Lincoln considered that cooperation with Russia is not only possible but is also extremely necessary...," he said.

He said many Russian democrats joined the Union army to do their part in liberating the slaves.

Reactionaries, Ivanov said, have always hated "great political officials who saw the impossibility of retaining old ways and have realized the importance of the progressive in the spirit of the times."

U.S. arms, training for Saudi Arabia

AMMAN (Reuter). — Saudi Arabia and the U.S. yesterday signed a $335m. agreement under which the Saudi national guard will receive modern American weapons and training, the Saudi Arabian Radio reported.

The radio, monitored here, said the agreement provided for armoured troop carriers, mobile anti-aircraft defences — presumably missiles — anti-tank guns and 105-millimetre howitzers.

The agreement was signed by the commander of the national guard, Prince Abdullah Ben Abdel-Aziz, and the American ambassador in Jeddah.

Prince Abdullah said the arms accord was part of an agreement announced in Washington recently on increased cooperation between the two countries in the economic, industrial and military fields.

Stolen Rembrandt recovered in US

HOUSTON (UPI). — U.S. Customs and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents have arrested an Austrian national and confiscated a number of paintings, including a Rembrandt believed worth more than $200,000.

Tom Jordan, head of the Houston FBI office, said the works were apparently stolen from the home of an Austrian citizen. Agents arrested Johann Hans Schweiner, 56, of Vienna, and seized the paintings on Friday.

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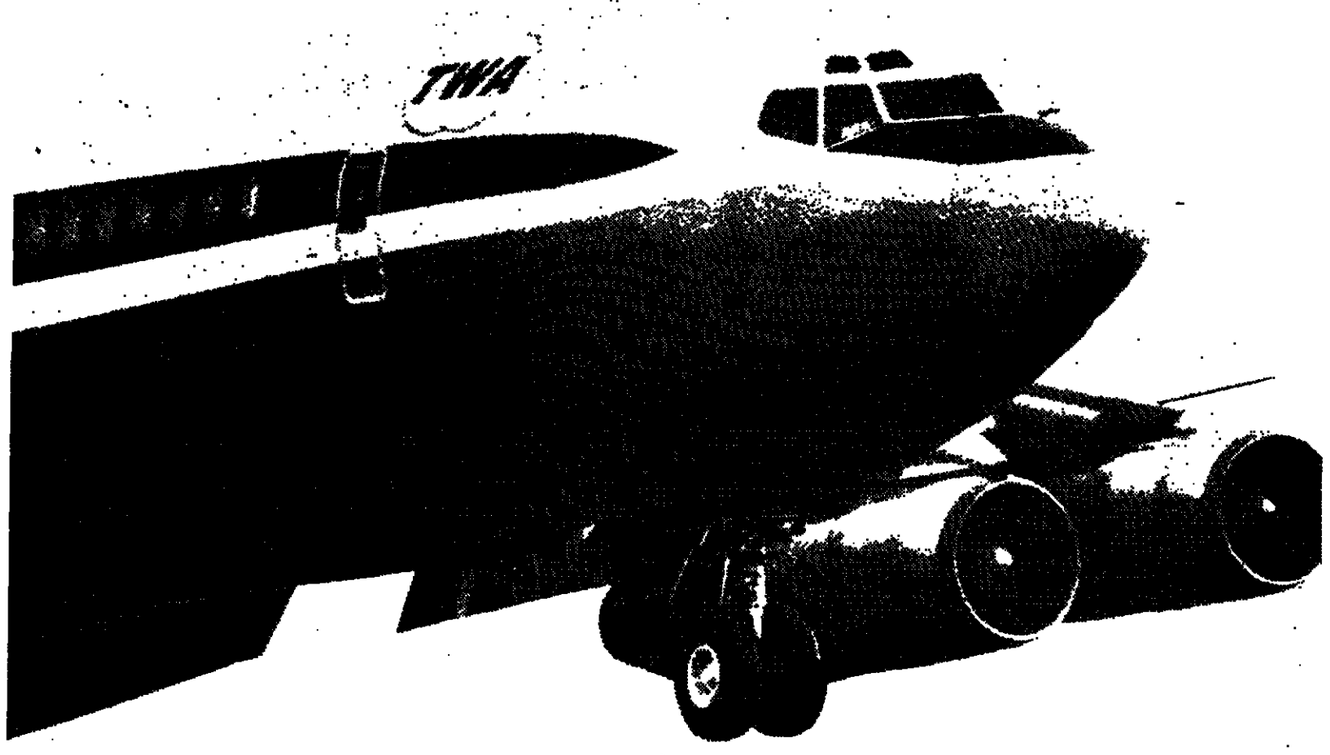

CLAL - ISRAEL INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED

SUMMARIZED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1973

(IL thousand)

	1973	1972*		1973	1972*
Loans and deposits	173,972	148,157	Shareholders' Equity	202,379	153,675
Fixed assets	200,546	152,942	Excess of equity in net assets over cost of investments at date of acquisition in consolidated subsidiaries, net	-	5,583
Subsidiaries, affiliates and other companies - shares and loans	208,334	167,831			
Government and other securities	30,004	16,732	Minority interest	39,355	29,469
Real estate and multi-purpose buildings under construction	33,555	30,185	Debentures of a subsidiary which are convertible into its shares	25,000	-
Current assets	526,280	370,845	Perpetual debentures	19,860	11,860
Other assets and deferred charges	29,775	22,864	Investment grants	1,547	1,287
			Provisions	16,804	10,154
			Long term liabilities	455,991	378,149
			Current liabilities	441,530	319,379
	1,202,466	909,556		1,202,466	909,556

* Restated and reclassified with the application of the "Pooling of Interests" method for the acquisition of The Israel Central Trade and Investment Company Limited.

Remark: The complete Financial Statements are available at the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange.

SUMMARIZED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973
(IL thousand)

	1973	1972*
Income	721,972	514,065
Costs and Expenses	680,224	476,357
	41,748	37,708
Other income - net	15,432	8,072
Profit before taxes on income	57,180	45,780
Taxes on income	18,067	15,393
Profit after taxes on income	39,113	30,387
Minority interest in consolidated subsidiaries	8,810	5,098
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	30,303	25,289
Retained earnings at beginning of year - as restated	8,043	5,434
Profit for appropriation	38,346	30,723
Appropriation of Profit		
10% Interim dividend paid - proposed as final (1972-10%)-gross	13,506	7,923
Dividend paid in previous year to the shareholders of "Central Trade Company" before the "Pooling of Interests"	-	4,08[illegible]
Transfer to appropriated retained earnings	15,540	10,674
	29,046	22,680
Retained earnings, unappropriated, at end of year	9,300	8,043

CLAL INDUSTRIES LIMITED

SUMMARIZED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1973
(IL thousand)

	1973	1972		1973	1972
Fixed assets	89,357	65,772	Shareholders' Equity	40,475	35,637
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries, affiliates and other companies	5,277	15,588	Convertible debentures	25,000	-
Other investments	13,103	10,119	Minority interest	12,762	6,010
Government bonds	11,487	5,818	Perpetual debentures	19,500	11,500
Current assets	205,944	126,921	Investment grants	1,344	1,142
Other assets and deferred charges	27,998	22,833	Provisions	6,836	4,070
			Long term liabilities	93,965	92,090
			Current liabilities	153,284	96,602
	353,166	247,051		353,166	247,051

Remark: The complete Financial Statements are available at the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange.

SUMMARIZED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973
(IL thousand)

	1973	1972
Income - Sales, work executed and services supplied	230,160	71,683
Cost of sales, work executed and services	179,642	57,868
	50,518	13,815
Interest, management fees and other	6,757	2,943
	57,275	16,758
Expenses	46,990	12,985
	10,285	3,773
Other income	7,438	86
Profit before taxes on income	17,723	3,859
Taxes on Income	5,495	2,152
Profit after taxes on income	12,228	1,707
Minority interest in the profits of consolidated subsidiaries	3,511	774
	8,717	933
Equity in retained profits of unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliates	438	1,122
Amortization of "original excess"	(570)	(111)
	8,585	1,944
Extraordinary items	(3,108)	208
NET PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	5,477	2,152
Balance of profit at beginning of period	2,903	1,837
Profit for appropriation	8,380	3,989
Appropriation of Profit		
10% net dividend (8% preceding period)	1,952	870
Transfer to capital reserves	2,623	216
	4,575	1,086
Unappropriated balance of profit at end of period	3,805	2,903

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THE ISRAEL CENTRAL TRADE AND INVESTMENT COMPANY LIMITED

SUMMARIZED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1973

(IL thousand)

	1973	1972*
Investments and fixed assets	161,603	135,224
Joint ventures in real estate and construction	2,877	4,994
Current Assets	101,515	87,794
Deferred charges	3,659	1,060
	269,654	229,072

	1973	1972*
Share capital	41,822	41,822
Surplus and reserves	18,756	9,550
Excess of equity in net assets over cost of investments at date of acquisition in consolidated subsidiaries, net	3,678	3,654
Minority interest	11,011	8,429
Provisions	7,149	5,168
Long-term liabilities	87,058	77,726
Current liabilities	100,180	82,723
	269,654	229,072

* Restated and reclassified; the Financial Statements have been prepared according to the "equity method".

Remark: The complete Financial Statements are available at the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange.

SUMMARIZED CONSOLIDATED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973
(IL thousand)

	1973	1972*
Income	162,268	130,900
Costs and expenses	151,928	126,794
	10,340	4,106
Equity in retained earnings of unconsolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies	4,847	4,556
Other income	2,803	3,628
	17,990	12,290
Taxes on Income	2,016	2,111
	15,974	10,179
Minority interest	2,887	1,410
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	13,087	8,769
Adjusted retained earnings - unappropriated - at beginning of year	3,717	1,588
Transfer from capital reserve	-	174
Profit for appropriation	16,804	10,531
Appropriations:		
10% interim dividend paid, proposed as final (1972-10%) gross	4,182	4,182
Transfer to capital reserves	430	1,700
Transfer to general reserve	-	932
	4,612	6,814
Unappropriated retained earnings at end of period	12,192	3,717

AZORIM INVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT & CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD.

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1973

(IL thousands)

	1973	1972
Buildings under construction, including land	76,566	43,141
Less - advances from customers	63,202	37,438
	13,364	5,703
Real Estate	20,546	18,851
Current Assets	16,160	23,370
Investments	33,419	11,607
Fixed assets	135	177
	83,624	59,708

	1973	1972
Share capital	25,000	25,000
Surplus and reserves	2,558	1,956
Deferred income, net	2,886	965
Long term liabilities	7,033	2,845
Current liabilities	46,147	28,942
	83,624	59,708

Azorim is one of the companies of the Real Estate and Construction Division of Clal.

7,000 residential units were being constructed by this division during 1973, at a total value of approximately IL 480 million, of which 2,400 units at a value of approximately IL 120 million were completed during that year. In addition, commercial centres and hotels at a value of approximately IL 150 million were under construction, of which approximately IL 45 million were completed during 1973.

Remark: The complete Financial Statements of the company as at December 31, 1973 are available at the Tel-Aviv Stock Exchange.

SUMMARIZED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973
(IL thousands)

	1973	1972
Sale of buildings and land	46,313	39,145
Cost of sales	37,453	34,409
	8,860	4,736
Interest, linkage differences and other income	3,641	2,776
	12,501	7,512
Expenses	6,423	2,370
Operational Profit	6,078	5,142
Other expenses	350	291
	5,728	4,851
Taxes on Income	3,250	2,650
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	2,478	2,201
Retained earnings at beginning of year	1,436	1,110
	3,914	3,311
10% interim dividend paid, net (proposed as final)	1,875	1,875
Unappropriated profit at end of year	2,039	1,436

MENIV ISRAEL INVESTMENT COMPANY LTD

SUMMARIZED STATEMENT OF POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1973

(IL thousand)

	1973	1972
Loans and deposits	381,428	285,165
Investment in office premises, furniture and equipment - leased out	98	101
Cash, short-term credit, and accounts receivable	45,110	18,960
Government loans	1,091	553
Deferred expenses - debenture issue costs	6,443	5,021
	434,170	309,800

	1973	1972
Share capital and receipts on account of shares	32,000	32,000
Surplus and reserves	10,781	7,768
Long-term liabilities	354,348	251,119
Short-term credit and accounts payable	37,041	18,913
	434,170	309,800

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SUMMARIZED PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1973
(IL thousand)

	1973	1972
Income from interest, commission and linkage differences	62,687	20,015
Financial expenses	56,134	15,455
Balance of income from interest, commission and linkage differences	6,553	4,560
Administrative expenses	540	366
	6,013	4,194
Capital gain on realization of securities	-	37
	6,013	4,231
Taxes on Income	3,000	2,260
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	3,013	1,971
Retained earnings at beginning of year	768	727
Net profit for the year, as above	3,013	1,971
	3,781	2,698
Less - transfer to General Reserve	3,000	1,930
Unappropriated earnings at end of the year	781	768

UN MEET ON RAW MATERIALS

Global emergency in the making

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — AROUND here these days they are talking about what the world may look like in a generation or so, and the prospect as of now is not pretty.

What might it be like in the year 2000? A world jammed with seven billion people? Not enough food to go round? Intense competition for energy and resources? Crisis after crisis, pushing the big powers to the brink of a calamitous clash?

They talk about all these possibilities almost casually at the big glass house on New York's East River, where a special session is in progress on the future of the so-called "Third World."

Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, in a statement to the opening of the special General Assembly on raw materials, talked of an enormous global emergency in the making unless nations can find ways of cooperating effectively to head it off.

"Stark, pervasive poverty," he said, afflicts two-thirds of the world, while never in recent decades have world food reserves been so frighteningly low. Other delegates warned of a growing threat of widespread famine in many world areas.

Rome report

The Club of Rome, an international study group of concerned experts, issued a report last month noting a deadly geometric progression in prospect.

"World society is torn asunder by growing and intolerable disparities in living standards and opportunities, it said. Hundreds of millions of men and women live marginal lives... Nature is pillaged and poisoned for the benefit of a few, to the detriment of many and of the yet unborn.

"The present crisis is much deeper than an oil or energy crisis or a food crisis. Its negative effects will have many and diverse repercussions throughout the entire world. It is the poor nations and poor classes which will suffer most. This is inevitable whenever oil, food or any other basic product becomes scarce or whenever trade, aid or currencies are used as political weapons."

The U.N. Assembly session was called on the initiative of Algeria, to discuss raw materials. Poor nations have seen the lesson of a raw material, oil, used as a political weapon. Now the beginnings of new cartels are visible in such important areas as copper and bauxite, the raw material for aluminum.

Knowledgeable people in industrialized countries which depend on imported raw materials are beginning to show signs of anxiety. Even as the assembly session began, U.S. Secretary of Interior Rogers C.B. Morton was warning that the oil crisis experience should persuade Americans to try to be less dependent on imported nonfuel minerals as well...

But the raw materials question with which this session is concerned is only one of many aspects of a challenge ahead involving such pressures as inflation, big-power competition for influence and keen competition for United States food production.

In the background is a growing recognition that desperation in food-short areas can generate massive political explosions.

One of the architects of the U.S. Food for Peace programme of the 1950s says now that even if it means becoming accustomed to such things as hamburgers made entirely of soybeans, Americans must once again face the need to share their riches, especially in food, because if they don't they are likely to pay the price in political upheavals and stability in much of the world.

SCIENCE BRINGS NEW HORRORS TO WAR

By MAX WILDE

GENEVA (Ofns). — THE rapid progress of armaments technology in recent years, bringing the development of new weapons that can inflict horrifying injuries, is worrying International Red Cross experts. A report just issued here describes some of these new developments and calls for intergovernmental action to restrict or even prohibit their use in war.

The report, on "weapons that may cause unnecessary suffering or have indiscriminate effects," cites the development of lasers, high velocity ammunition, flame weapons and new types of projectile. "Whole areas of science, which hitherto had made little contribution to weapons technology, now have a relevance which few would have predicted in earlier decades," it says.

Laser range-finding and target-spotting has been found to be an inexpensive method of improving the accuracy of weapons delivery, especially aerial bombs, says the report. Although they have rather low power-outputs as yet, such lasers have a highly damaging side effect because they are capable of destroying the human eye at ranges of up to some thousands of metres. Anyone looking straight into a laser beam risks total destruction of the eyes.

Thermal weapons

The report holds out the prospect that, "perhaps in the next several years," laser devices may be used as thermal weapons. Their original power-output, once measured in tens of watts, has in a decade been increased ten thousand-fold. Three basic types of high-energy lasers are now being developed. The most advanced are gas-dynamic lasers, with 200 kilowatts (continuous wave) power-output. They operate by heating carbon dioxide to a high temperature, which then expands and is cooled by supersonic passage through nozzles, with the resultant high energy being discharged through a mirror cavity. The report adds: "Their most likely applications are in ground-based weapons or aboard ships. Aircraft use is possible, but only aboard large bombers."

Laser beam becomes an advanced weapon

Then there are electric-discharge lasers which also excite carbon dioxide gas and have reached 100 megawatts at peak power. These can also be used aboard ship and probably on board aircraft if airborne generators and capacitors are improved.

But the greatest potential for multipurpose military use, the report says, is that of chemical lasers which, however, are still in early stages of development: "They have much military interest because little outside energy is required, so that chemical lasers may eventually be small and light." Furthermore, they operate at short wavelengths which reduce atmospheric attenuation and increase thermal damage effects.

Lasers have great attractions for the military mind. Among their advantages is that they can burn holes in targets, or their radiation can destroy (apart from the human eye) the optical sensors of attacking weapons. They have essentially a zero time of flight, have no mass requiring compensation for inertia, and can be pointed rapidly from target to target. The report predicts that, possibly in 10 years, fighter aircraft may have laser guns, and progress may have been made in laser defence systems against missiles.

Severe damage

The report adds: "Laser light may give rise to severely damaging effects on the human body, including heat, pressure, possible shock waves (both acoustic and ultrasonic) and protein generation in the blood plasma. Tissue ionisation, chemical transformations, and disturbances of the blood circulation may also occur at the impact site."

Among incendiary weapons, thickened pyrophoric agents (TPA) have already been used in small-calibre rockets fired from portable multi-barrelled launchers. They are far superior to the portable flame-thrower because they have a considerably longer range — about 200 metres with accuracy — and are simpler to use. Now, larger TPA projectiles are being developed for artillery and air-to-ground rocket launchers, and new flame weapons may continue to appear alongside them, exploiting some of the newer fluorine-based incendiary agents.

Another area of concern is the constantly improving high velocity ammunition for small arms. These bullets cause dreadful wounds, much in excess of what is needed to put a combatant out of action. In addition, fragmentation weapons, which cause the greatest number of casualties in modern warfare, increase the risk of multiple injuries and the possibility that civilians will be affected."

Multiple injuries

Multiple injuries greatly increase the mortality rate, the report emphasises. Even with adequate medical care within seven hours of the injuries being inflicted, the fatality risk rises by 15 per cent for each additional abdominal organ injured. If more than five abdominal organs are injured in the same patient, death is practically certain.

The report states: "Most of the cases will require surgical attention to more than one injury at the same time. In recent armed conflicts, where medical services of a very high professional standard were available, it was almost a rule that several surgical teams would work on the same patient. This resulted in reduction of fatalities and more effective medical care." But, the report observes, "since such resources are seldom available to the average country, patients with multiple wounds will rarely receive adequate attention."

In a move to bring about action on these weapons, an international conference is being convened by the International Committee of the Red Cross in Lucerne, from June 4 to June 28, at which the report will constitute the principal working paper.

The report is particularly concerned with "overkill" and "over-injury" inflicted by conventional weapons. It explains in some detail the history of the rifle bullet, noting that at one time, before World War I, bullets with a moderate muzzle velocity, unless they struck a vital organ, not infrequently passed right through the body without causing extensive damage round their path. But with the high velocity bullets now in general use, the picture is very different.

Around the point of impact the bullet sets up a strong shock wave which can damage blood vessels and nerves at a considerable distance and even bones at some distance can be fractured. In all high velocity wounds there is massive destruction of tissues and the surrounding damaged tissue is invariably contaminated with bacteria which are sucked in from surrounding skin surfaces. To avoid severe infection, the damaged tissue must be removed. Since high velocity wounds very seldom occur in peacetime, most surgeons are not familiar with their specific treatment, which leads to high risks of mortality and disability.

As a further refinement, research and development work has now begun, the report states, on firing flechette ammunition from infantry weapons. A flechette is a miniature dart resembling a wire nail with miniature fins at its tail, and is fired at very high velocity in "packets" thus ensuring serious multiple injuries. They are also used in artillery shells and in cluster bombs, each of which contains nearly 700 "bomblets" which, in turn, contain about 300 pellets, so that the whole projectile can disperse about 200,000 pellets. Sometimes, tungsten carbide or depleted uranium is used instead of steel, giving an even greater impact velocity.

The laser beam, one of the most important scientific discoveries of the 20th Century, is destined to become a major weapon of war. (Brann)

'Affluent nations face a permanent state of siege'

LONDON (AP).— Historian Arnold Toynbee said on Sunday that affluent nations will soon be living in a permanent siege economy. The free enterprise system will disappear, he predicted.

Toynbee, writing in "The Observer," said that this would be the result of the plundering of the earth's limited, irreplaceable natural resources.

"Man's plundering of nature now threatens him with pollution and depletion. In so-called developed countries like those of Western Europe, the U.S., the USSR and Japan, growth is going to cease," Toynbee said. He gave no dates.

"They are going to find themselves in a permanent state of siege in which the material conditions of life will be at least as austere as they were during the two world wars. The war-time austerity was temporary: The future austerity will be perennial, and it will become progressively more severe," Toynbee forecast.

The author of the 12-volume "A Study of History" predicted that ruthless, authoritarian governments will have to impose a regimented way of life to conserve resources, free enterprise will die, and jobs like stockbroker and real estate developer will disappear.

But Toynbee said the loss of affluence could be a blessing in disguise, leading to a purer life, like that of the early Christian monks.

"A society that is declining materially may be ascending spiritually," he said.

Soviet Arctic build-up worries Norwegians

By ROLAND HUNTFORD

OSLO (Ofns). — AS moves towards East-West detente proceed in Central Europe the Soviet Union has been building up its military strength on the northern flank. It is perhaps the main strategic worry plaguing Nato today. It is certainly of the most immediate concern to Norway which, bordering on Soviet territory in the Arctic, is in the Nato front line. With this in mind, Soviet demands to share in the running of a new Norwegian airport on Spitzbergen have sounded particularly ominous here.

Spitzbergen is of vital strategic importance both to the Soviet Union and Nato. It is a mountainous archipelago commanding the approaches to the Arctic. In 1920, after long diplomatic controversy, it was awarded to Norway by international treaty. But Norwegian sovereignty in the islands was qualified. All the treaty's signatories, numbering 39 including the Soviet Union, were guaranteed the right of access for economic and scientific purposes.

With this legal justification, the Soviet Union has maintained bases ostensibly for coal-mining and other mineral working, in and around Barentsburg. To counterbalance this, the Norwegians have been compelled to maintain their presence by working uneconomic coal mines at Longyearbyen. They have had to be continually on their guard against further Soviet encroachment.

When the Norwegian Government decided to build a full-scale airport, it was faced with a series of Soviet demands aimed at denying its use to Norway's Nato allies and securing Soviet control there.

Originally, the Russians wanted to erect their own buildings at the airport and instal a staff of at least 30. The pretext was the necessity of having Soviet experts to handle Soviet traffic, for the airport, to be completed next year, will be the only year-round one on Spitzbergen and the only one to take heavy aircraft.

The Norwegians were reluctant to comply. Their hands, however, were not entirely free. Had they taken too hard a line, they believe that the Soviet Union would have built its own airport at Barentsburg, which would have been the worst of all possible alternatives. In effect this would have meant a Russian military base on territory which is supposed to be demilitarised. After long and tortuous negotiations, finally completed in February, the Norwegians achieved what they felt was the best possible compromise in the circumstances.

The airport is to be under Norwegian control but the Russians will be permitted to have five representatives to look after their traffic. They will work in offices provided and controlled by the Norwegian authorities. But the Norwegians have had to agree to extend the runways by about 200 metres to take the Soviet Tupolev aircraft, the equivalent of the DC9s which the Norwegians will be using on the Spitzbergen route.

But even if the Norwegian authocities can argue they have got the best they can out of the situation, the Spitzbergen airport arrangement cannot but be an added worry for Nato. It emphasises the point that the Russians have the initiative in the north: they have pushed their naval power beyond the Arctic and into the North Atlantic to a line running from Greenland via Iceland to Scotland. This means that the Norwegians are actually behind the Soviet naval defence lines.

According to Norwegian press reports there are about 500 Soviet vessels and 100,000 men in and around Murmansk, on the Kola Peninsula not far from the Norwegian-Soviet border. Among the vessels are 170 submarines, of which 75 are said to be nuclear-powered, carrying missiles with ranges from 2400 to 6400 kms.

A more immediate threat from the Norwegian point of view, however, is a large and patently offensive amphibious force designed and constantly trained for operations in the region. It is provided with landing craft and several hundred helicopters.

Officials say that manoeuvres are constantly in progress near the Norwegian coast. The worrying part is that the manoeuvres are of such a nature that it would be very difficult to tell until the last moment whether they might turn into an attack. Theoretically, the Russians could land in the north of Norway before Nato headquarters knew what was happening.

This is the sober assessment of those responsible for Norwegian defence and Nato planning. Possibly the Russians are acting in this way in order to play a game of continuous brinkmanship. On the other hand, it may be a preparation for a war in the not too distant future.

The trouble is that the Norwegians have no commensurate forces on their side of the border to balance the Soviet threat. By the terms of Norway's Nato membership, its allies are not permitted to station forces permanently on Norwegian soil in peacetime. Consequently, Nato has to depend on local Norwegian forces. In the north this means about 1,000 border guards and about 4,000 Arctic troops. The only consolation appears to be that the Norwegians have an efficient coastal artillery force and this might at least be a tactical deterrent.

But the nightmare of the strategic planners is that if the Soviet Union decided on a lightning conventional push, it could acquire control of the vital northern coast of Norway which dominates the approaches to Siberia, and the only Nato response might be nuclear.

Remember the Titanic

LONG BEACH, California (UPI).— Winnie Mackenzie was 28 years old in 1912, and a passenger on the British luxury liner Titanic when it steamed out of Southampton on her maiden voyage to New York.

The ship, the largest of its day and billed as "unsinkable," struck an iceberg on April 14. In less than three hours, it slid beneath the waves of the freezing water.

A total of 1,503 persons, including John Jacob Astor, Benjamin Guggenheim and many of the social elite of the day were lost.

Winnie Mackenzie, a second class passenger, was among the 705 survivors who were rescued by the Carpathia.

Today, at the age of 89, Miss Mackenzie was to retell the Titanic story at the 62nd anniversary remembrance of the disaster. The ceremony was to take place yesterday aboard the Queen Mary, now a floating tourist attraction in Long Beach.

The "Remember the Titanic" event will feature a recreation of the fatal night.

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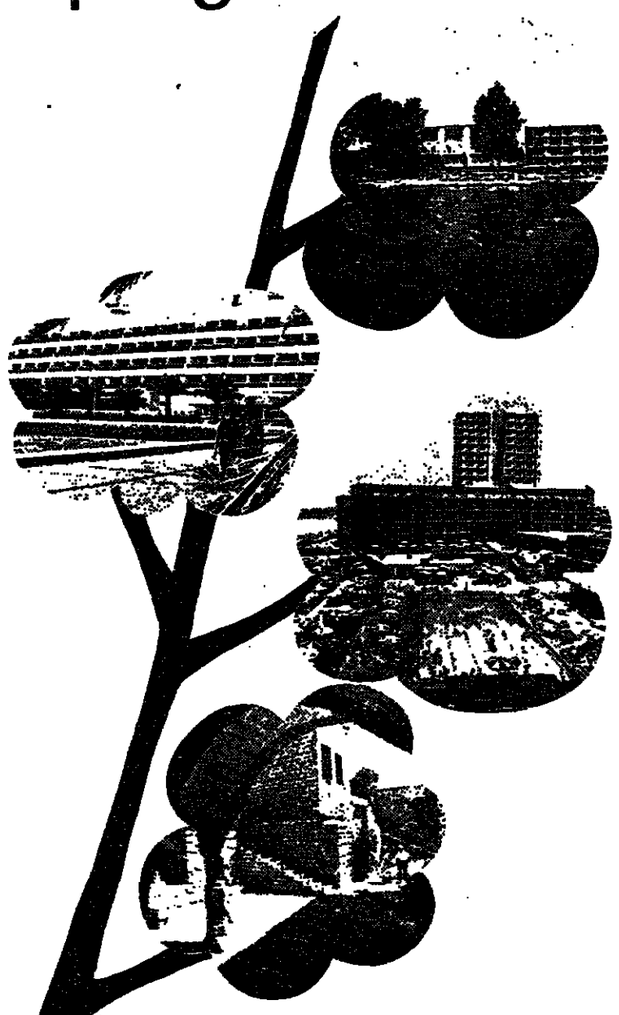

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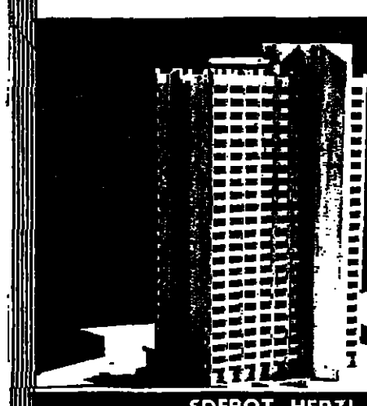

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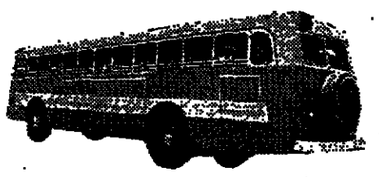

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We are pleased to announce that after Passover, most Egged routes will continue to run until 11.30 p.m.

- Haifa municipal routes will run until 11.30 p.m. Routes from Haifa to the Krayot, Kiryat Tivon, Nesher, Kfar Hasidim, Tira, Acre, and Nahariya will run until 11.30 p.m.
- All Jerusalem municipal routes will run until 11.30 p.m., except routes 4, 6, 9, 18, 20, which will run until midnight.
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Route	From Tel Aviv	To Tel Aviv
T.A. — Haifa	10.30 p.m.	10.00 p.m.
T.A. — Jerusalem	10.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Beersheba (slow)	10.30 p.m.	9.30 p.m.
T.A. — Ashkelon (via Gedera)	10.30 p.m.	9.30 p.m.
T.A. — Ashdod	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Lod (via Mahaneh)	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Ramla	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Rehovot	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Rishon Lezion	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Herzliya, Ra'anana	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Kfar Saba	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Netanya (coast road)	11.30 p.m.	10.30 p.m.
T.A. — Zichron Ya'acov	9.30 p.m.	

- The service from Holon and Bat Yam to Tel Aviv, and the service in the opposite direction will run until 11.30 p.m.
- The service from Haifa to Nazareth (Route 332) will run until 9.30 p.m.
- The service from Haifa to Afula (Route 301) will run until 11.30 p.m.
- The Safad — Tel Aviv service has been restarted. The bus leaves Safad at 7.45 a.m., and leaves Tel Aviv at 1.00 p.m. for the return journey.
- The Ashdod — Beersheba service has also been reinstated. The bus leaves Ashdod at 5.45 a.m., and leaves Beersheba for the return journey at 8.30 a.m.

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...nce's foremost modern ...ce troupe coming here

...' the results of the re-...-signed Franco-Israel cul-...hange agreement is the ... arrival here next Monday ...Ballet Theatre Contempo-...roup regarded as France's ...national modern dance com-...s formed in 1968 to serve ...re for modern choreography. ...ated in Amiens, it moved ...s two years ago to become ...a Choreographic and Lyric ... Centre.

... past six years the com-...s toured with signal suc-... the U.S.A., Canada, South ... countries, Mexico, North ... Spain and other European ... It has as its aim the ... of music, choreography ...r and has attracted creative ...rom other lands as well as ...

...g ballerinas of the company ...clude Muriel Belmondo, sis-...he French film star Jean-...lmondo, and Martini Par-...ffe of the choreographer ...escombey, who is now him-...Israel, creating ballets for ...Dor company. Among other ...aphers who have created ...r the Ballet Theatre Contemporain, are several who have also worked in Israel: John Butler, Brian Macdonald, Lar Lubovitch, Job (Dirk) Sanders.

The Israeli choreographer-dancer Moshe Efrati has twice created ballets for the company.

In Israel, the Ballet Theatre Contemporain will present works by Francoise Adret (who is resident choreographer and directs the company), John Butler, Job Sanders and Felix Blaska (a French-Jewish dancer whose own company visited Israel some time ago). The premiere will take place in Tel Aviv on April 30. Altogether the company will give ten performances — in Tel Aviv (April 30 and May 4), Jerusalem (May 5), Haifa (May 1 and 9), Netanya (May 2), Kiryat Bialik (May 3), Nahariya (May 6), Beersheba (May 7) and Holon (May 10).

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ISRAELI dancer Reuven Voremberg has come home to see his parents in Tel Aviv for a brief visit from his duties as balletmaster of the Dutch National Ballet. During his fornight's stay, he is holding classes for male dancers at the Bat-Dor Studios. He finds the atmosphere "professional," the artistic demands "high" and the conditions for working "marvellous." "But I have been working in Holland for 18 years now and I'm involved there," he said, "though I love Israel and like to come."

He is one of five balletmasters of the 80-strong Dutch company — all assistants to the artistic director Rudi van Dantzig who will shortly come to Israel to create ballets for the Bat-Dor company. In Amsterdam, Reuven Voremberg gives classes and rehearses ballets, especially Balanchine works. He went specially to New York recently "to see the way Balanchine works" and he has himself danced in many Balanchine ballets.

Four new ballets will be staged by the Bat-Dor Company in Tel Aviv on April 22. They are "Concerto Grosso" (music: Handel) by American choreographer Charles Czarny, "Circles" (music: Berio) and "From Hope to Hope" by French choreographer Michel Descombey, and "And After..." (music: Bach) by Gene Hill Sagan, who recently returned after six months of teaching and choreographing in Holland. The premiere will be at the Bat-Dor Theatre.

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...FESTIVAL AT EIN GEV

...econd evening of the Ein ... Festival featured Josef ... oratorio "The Creation," ...nch conductor Jean-Sebas-...au directing the Jerusalem ...y Orchestra, the *Chorale de ...rale de Strasbourg* and the *...Oecumeniques de Metz.*

...e, natural acoustics of the ...l resulted in a lively sonor-... the voices of the soloists ...ch brighter in these sur-...s. Yehudit Lazarovich is not ...rly suited to oratorio sing-...gh, with her considerable ...e and technical resources ...l with most of the inherent ...s. Her voice has a certain ... which at times disturbs ...ty of her soprano. Gerard ... tenor, and Jean Martin, ...h did very well, and their ...ces served their parts most ... Conductor Bereau demon-...is easy mastery of the score and was in control all the time. His tendency to play all music in a very fresh tempo made some of the choruses sound very military, which was surely not what Haydn wanted of his lovely music. The master's unfettered inventiveness, his attractive ideas, often clad in plain and naive expression, his songfulness — different from but by no means inferior to that of Mozart and Schubert — demands a more leisurely approach so that the music can be sung out in full, without the danger of becoming over-romantic or sentimental. To present it in the tempo of a quick march, as M. Bereau chose to do, imposes heavy demands on the choirs. They were met with technical proficiency, though singing phrases and articulation suffered in the process. The performance was enthusiastically applauded by the large audience.

YOHANAN BOEHM

Music Reviews

GERSHWIN PIECES

THE third concert in the series, of light classical music (Tel Aviv, Mann Auditorium, March 28), featured American music and there is no doubt that the Americans have something quite impressive to offer in this field.

Werner Torkanowsky chose three Gershwin pieces — the rather conventional "Girl Crazy" overture; a symphonic version of "Porgy and Bess" arranged by Benett; and the never disappointing "Rhapsody in Blue". In the second part he featured Barber's famous Adagio for Strings, two pieces by Gould, a short item from Copland's ballet music and, as a not very happy choice for the concluding item, the finale from Ives' second symphony, a piece written in the style of late 19th Century Central European romanticism.

Torkanowsky, whom we hailed as a very able conductor in both his serious programmes, was less effective in light music. Trying to adopt the "right" style, he failed to show many of his fine qualities. His sensitivity and love of detail were lacking, and musical superficiality and noisiness substituted instead.

One of the best items of the evening was the Rhapsody with Yonathan Zak as soloist. Technically, Zak was in full control and musically on solid ground, but his usual talent for the keyboard did not materialize fully. He seems to be more at home in the intimate atmosphere of chamber music than in the more exposed approach of a concert.

BENJAMIN BAR-AM

...Breast cancer runs in families

...ORK (AP). — Women un-...m a far higher than ave-...k of developing breast can-...eir mothers and/or sisters ... disease, a new study re-...

... the risk is 47 times higher ...en who had both a sister ...her with breast cancer, than ...men with no family history ... disease. And the risk for ...nder 40 whose sisters had ...er, but whose mothers did ...nine times higher than the ... women who had neither ...nor mothers affected, it ...

...udy looking into family or ...y influence in cancer, and ... less than 500 women with ...cancers, is reported by Dr. ...nderson, Professor of Bio-... the M.D. Anderson Hos-...l Tumour Institute in Hous-...xas, a major cancer research and treatment centre.

His findings put the hereditary risk far higher than do statistics for the nation from the American Cancer Society. The Society says women under 40 whose mother or sister had breast cancer run about twice the risk of developing breast cancer than women with no such family history.

Anderson, in a report in "Medical Tribune," a newspaper for physicians, said: "The early age of occurrence of the disease indicates that examinations should not be postponed until a woman is 35 or 40 years old, as is now sometimes recommended."

His study thus far has covered 234 women with breast cancer, chosen because they all had a family history of this cancer. They were compared with 217 other patients with a family history of other kinds of cancer than of the breast.

Teachings of Berlin seminary are still an influence on Orthodox after 100 years

By RABBI A. CARLEBACH

FOR 19th century Jewry, in Germany and elsewhere, the problem of rabbinical leadership in an age of emancipation and assimilation was acute but not insoluble. The old-time rabbis, usually men of great learning and deep piety, found little common ground with the new generation, totally estranged from both the contents and forms of the old religious order. In order for Judaism of any kind to survive, modern spiritual leaders and educators were required by newly emerging congregations.

The solution lay with rabbinical, or, in the language of the times, theological colleges, which were to train a new type of rabbi who spoke the vernacular and combined a Jewish with general, preferably academic, education. This was the aim of the Breslau Jewish Theological Seminary, founded in 1854, and directed by Zacharias Frankel in the spirit of what he termed "positive historical Judaism," which was traditionalist but not Orthodox. For 84 years it served with great distinction as the major rabbinical training college and headquarters of Jewish studies in Central and Western Europe until the Nazis "liquidated" it in November 1938. In 1870 a *Hochschule — Lehranstalt fuer die Wissenschaft des Judentums* was established in Berlin and became a training institute for Reform rabbis.

The Orthodox were left an embattled minority, particularly in northern and western Germany. S.R. Hirsch in Frankfurt and S.B. Bamberger in Wuerzburg provided strong personal leadership, but did nothing for the training of modern Orthodox rabbis.

This was the great achievement of Ezriel Hildesheimer (1820-1899), who in 1873 inaugurated the "Rabbinical Seminary for Orthodox Judaism" in Berlin. As rabbi and head of the Yeshivah of Eisenstadt he had fought for nearly two decades for the reform of rabbinical training, which he had so successfully practised in his Yeshivah. But the bitter opposition of the extreme Orthodox in Hungary and Slovakia eventually made him throw in his hand and accept a call to Berlin by the small but vigorous Adass Yisroel congregation. From this base he embarked on the venture of the new seminary.

It required great courage to start it in Berlin, which was not only the capital of the new Bismarckian Prusso-German empire, but — for a century — also that of Jewish emancipation, assimilation and Reform. The prevailing religious and cultural climate, the very air of the city, militated against the spirit which moved Hildesheimer and inspired the new College. But here, too, he succeeded brilliantly against all the odds. With him on the faculty was his brother-in-law, Jacob Barth, a noted Semitic and Bible scholar, who was later called to a chair at Berlin University; Abraham (Adolf) Berliner, an autodidact, who had made himself an expert in medieval Jewish history, in liturgy and Rashi studies; and David Hoffmann, who had been Hildesheimer's student in Eisenstadt and was to become one of the foremost Bible and Talmud scholars of his time, recognised as a *halachic* authority in the whole of Germany and beyond. They, and others who joined the teaching staff, at various times, enriched Jewish scholarship by their books and articles, their critical editions of important ancient and medieval texts and their responsa and Bible commentaries. From 1874-1893 Berliner and Hoffmann edited the *Magazin fuer die Wissenschaft des Judentums*, a learned journal in German and Hebrew.

Hildesheimer's pupils

Students flocked to the new seminary from all parts of Germany, from the Austro-Hungarian empire, from Poland and from Russia. Among them were many scions of the leading rabbinical families, and young men who already had "filled their bellies" with rabbinic love in East-European Yeshivot. All were expected to matriculate and to enrol for a degree course of their choice at the university. Not all students aimed at the rabbinate, the seminary thus contributing to the emergence of an academically-trained, Jewish-educated lay leadership

Hildesheimer was succeeded by Hoffman as head of the seminary at the turn of the century. Scholars like Joseph Wohlgemuth (philosophy and homiletics), Simon Gruenberg (Bible and Hebrew) and Simon Eppenstein (history) joined the staff at that time. Wohlgemuth founded, and edited brilliantly for 16 years, the monthly *Jeschurun* in German and Hebrew, serving both scholarship and topical Jewish problems. He was particularly sensitive to the East-West tension in Jewry. Gruenberg, a religious Zionist, was able to propagate his political views and the study of modern Hebrew.

The winds of change began to blow strongly in the post-1918 period. Hoffman passed away in 1921, and from then on the staff was collectively responsible for the direction of the seminary. The "eastern" orientation, represented first by Wohlgemuth, soon dominated both staff and students. Lecturers like A.E. Kaplan and J.J. Weinberg, hailing from Lithuanian Yeshivot, introduced a new dimension of Talmud study into the college, bringing with them, too, the ideas and standards of the pietistic Musar movement. But these men wholeheartedly adopted the Seminary's cultural basic philosophy of *Torah-im-Derech Eretz.*

From 1933, when the Nazis seized power, till the pogroms of November, 1938, the seminary continued heroically to serve widening circles of Jewish youth, thrown back by their barbarous enemies on their own religious and natural heritage. Youth leaders became more important than rabbis, and all hopes were turned to a future abroad, above all in Eretz Israel. A plan to transfer the college, with its staff and students, to Palestine was thwarted by the opposition of the Yeshivah heads and rabbis of the old school. Thus a great opportunity was lost to provide the Yishuv with a modern rabbinate.

Nevertheless, the Berlin school made its contribution to the political, cultural and religious life of what was to become Israel. Leaders like Oscar Wolfsberg (Yeshayahu Aviad), Aaron Barth, H.M. Shapiro, Dr. Joseph Burg, Kalman Kahane, Moshe Unna, and artists like Hermann Struck, if not actually alumni of the seminary, had grown up in, and been influenced by, its spirit and ideology.

Throughout the Jewish world, the dispersion of Hildesheimer's and his successors' pupils has kept alive a type of orthodoxy which, though very much on the defensive today, remains vital for the preservation of a Judaism that is open to the modern world.

Dutch clergymen, friends of Israel, pass away

By HENRIETTE BOAS
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM. — ISRAEL recently lost, within a fortnight of each other, two good Dutch friends. Both the Rev. Frits Kuiper and the Rev. J.H. Grolle did a great deal, each in his own way, to bring about among the population of Holland a better understanding of Jews in general and the State of Israel in particular. Both men were in their mid-seventies when they died.

Frits Kuiper may justly be called a "righteous Gentile," and his death in a freak traffic accident is felt as a personal loss by his many Jewish friends. He came from a distinguished academic Amsterdam family belonging to the 40,000 strong Mennonite community (which in Holland consists largely of intellectuals and is closer to Quakerism than to the American Mennonites).

During the German occupation, Frits Kuiper and his relatives were active in the Dutch resistance and helped to save many Jews, including children, for which two of his nephews — he himself had no children — paid with their lives. After the war, when most Christians who had hidden Jewish children with non-Jewish foster parents believed that the children should remain with their Gentile adopted families, Kuiper was one of the few who urged that they should be returned to Jewish surroundings.

Together with several friends, Kuiper later began publication of the now extinct journal "De Stem van Israel" (The Voice of Israel), lectured widely on the State of Israel and in 1951 published a book "Israel and the Goyim." Of a strongly philosophical bent of mind, he was a great admirer of Franz Rosenzweig. Shortly before his death, he had just completed a book on three men who had influenced him greatly: Lenin, whose funeral he attended while working in the Soviet Union as the representative of the European Students' Relief Organization; Karl Barth, the famous German theologian under whom he had studied; and Franz Rosenzweig.

Explaining Judaism

Above all, at a time when many Christian theologians were transferring their early post World War II sympathies for Israel to the Palestinians, Frits Kuiper remained loyal to Israel and the Jewish people.

The Rev. J.H. Grolle, for many years Secretary of the Dutch Reformed Church's "Council for Relations between the Church and Israel" (Israel here meaning the Jews), believed in maintaining a dialogue which would ultimately bring the Jews to accept Christianity. In the course of his activities, which did not result in many conversions, he came to realise how little many members of his church knew about Jews, Judaism or the State of Israel. He therefore undertook the task, in lectures and in his writings, of explaining Judaism and his publications did much to create a better understanding of Israel, which he himself visited on a number of occasions.

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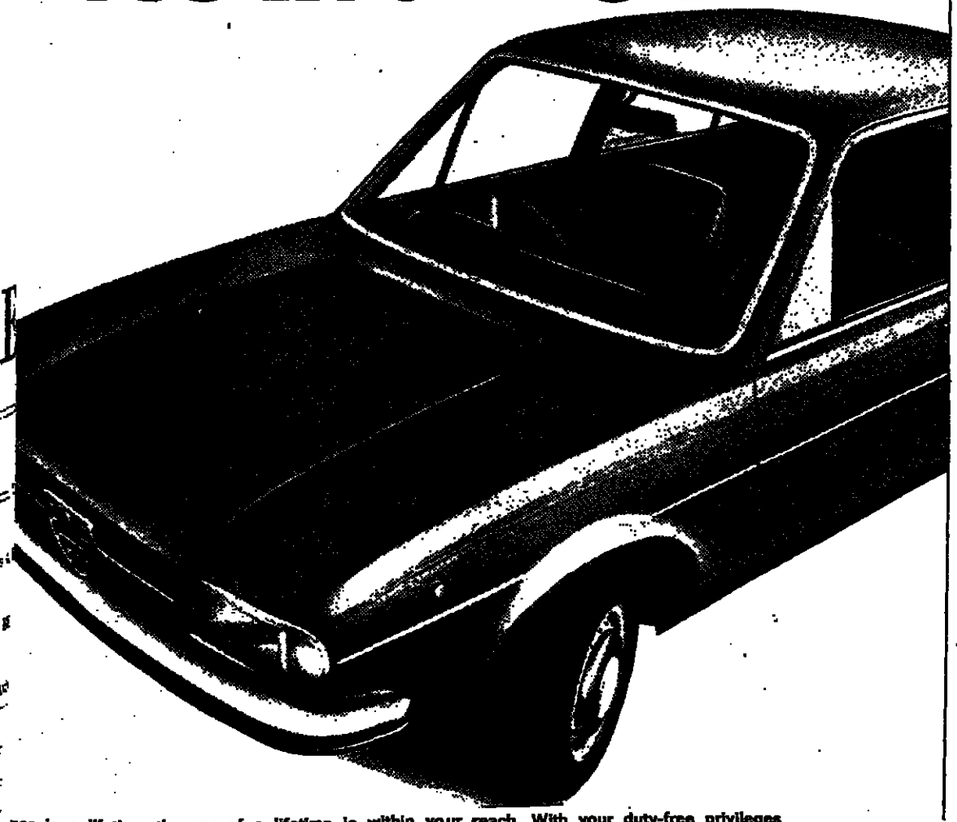

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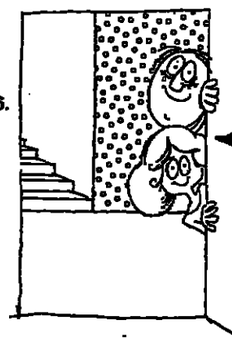

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DAVID — Kasablan, 7.00, 9.20;

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ON THE AIR

HEBREW NEWS AND NEWSREELS
1st Programme: News: Every hour on the hour except 1.00 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m. 7.00 p.m. and 11.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: News: Every hour on the hour except 7 and 8 p.m. and 4 a.m. Newsreels: 7.05 a.m., 1.05 p.m. and 11.05 p.m.
GALEI ZAHAL: News: Every hour on the hour. Newsreels: 8.05 a.m. 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
258, 522 and 221 M.

7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.05 "Musical Delicacies" — Carl Orff: "Carmina Burana" (Soloists, Choirs, and The Houston Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Leopold Stokowski).
9.05 "Contrasts" by Suppe, Bach, Chopin, Auric, Forumbescu, Amy and Debussy.
9.55 English News.
10.05 "Recital" (Second Broadcast) — Mindru Katz (Piano): Schumann: Fantasia opus 17; Cesar Franck: Four Pieces.
10.55 French News. 11.00 News in Easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programmes for Elementary School. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.18 Programme for Elementary Schools.
12.35 "Midday Concert" Kodaly: Theatre Overture (Conductor: Henry Swoboda); Sibelius: "Lemminkainen's Return" (Conductor: Sir Adrian Boult); Rossini-Respighi: Tarantella (Conductor: Eugene Ormandy).
1.05 "At Midday."
1.25 Midday Concert (cont.) Vieuxtemps: Violin Concerto No.4 (Soloist: Arthur Grumiaux); Debussy: "Cortege" (Conductor: Sir Thomas Beecham).
2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — "Bettering your Knowledge." 3.30 Literature-Questions and Answers. 3.50 Book Review.
4.05 "Tunes from the Campus of the Hebrew University" — with Cilia Grossmeyer (Soprano), Yitzhak Geras (Violin), Nachum Seidl (Flute) and Arieh Sachs (Harpsichord). Works by Bach, Handel, Rameau and de la Guerre.
5.05 "The Israel Broadcasting Music Club" — with the Holon Chamber Orchestra, conducted by Shalom Ronly-Riklis. (recorded from a public performance), Producer — Eddie Halpern.
5.55 English News. 6.05 "Eshnab." 6.50 French News. 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light music. 7.50 Bible Reading.
8.05 "Madame Butterfly" — Opera by Puccini. Producer — Yehuda Cohen.
11.05 "Tonight." 11.25 "Radiostory." 12.20 A Moment of Poetry. 12.23 Close Down. 2.05-5.00 Songs and Tunes. 5.05-8.00 Same as second programme.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 428, 298, 355 and 349 M.

5.05 a.m. Songs and Tunes. 5.55 Religious Service. 6.00 Exercises. 6.15 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew 7.05 This Morning 7.35 "Hebrew Songs." 7.55 "Green Light." 8.05 Announcements. 8.10 "Good Morning:" 8.55 Names and Events in the Headlines. 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.) 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.55 Where go go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 "Smile" — songs and sketches.

1.05 p.m. At Midday. 1.25 Hebrew songs. 2.05 This is Rivka Michaeli 3.05 Requests. 3.53 Encore — ed. by S. Rosen. 4.05 A Moment of Hebrew 4.06 Hebrew Hit Parade 4.30 S. Rosen's Quiz. 4.35 Hit Parade (cont.) 6.45 Today's sport 6.55 Announcements 9.05 "Shalom Africa." 10.05 "Public Auction." 11.05 "Tonight." 11.25 "Public Auction" (cont.). 1.05-3.00 Songs and Tunes.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE
5.30 News. 5.32 "Window on the World" — Magazine programme. 6.00 "Games and Hobbies" 8.00 "Family Affair." 8.30 Mabat 9.05 "Take a Trip" with Ilana Robina. 9.40 "Labour Ethics" — Documentary. 10.20 "Cannon." 11.10 News.
Educational: 3.15 English 6. 9.05 Maths 6. 9.35 Safety. 10.00 Biology 9. 10.30 English 5. 11.30 Geometry 5. 12.00 Biology 10. 12.30 Science 7. 13.00 Biology 9. 1.30 Science 6. 1.40 Meeting with an Author 4.00 Story 4.09 English 4.31 Documentary 4.44 "Tsabar" 4.55 Meeting with an Author. Arabic: 5.30 News 6.32 Sport. 7.16 Projector 7.27 Programme Review. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
445 M.

5.55 Opening 7.00 News. 7.25 Song and Melody. 8 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
457, 428, 298, 349, 385 and 346.5 M.

7.00 p.m. News in easy Hebrew. Ivrit La'am. 7.15 Georgian. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Ladino. 8.15 Magra 8.30 Rumanian 8.45 Russian. 9.30 Close Down.

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMME
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
9.55 a.m. (1st programme);
1.30-3.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves)
5.55 p.m. (1st programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.45 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
10.55 a.m. (1st programme);
2.00-2.30 p.m. (4th programme and short waves)
5.50 p.m. (1st programme);
8.45-9.00 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
1st Programme — 522, 256 and 221 M.
4th Programme —407, 445 and 292 M.
3rd Programme (short waves) —16, 19, 25, 31, 33, and 49 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
5.55 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning Tunes. 7 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9 Requests. 10.55 Uri Sela's corner. 11.05 Warm and Tasty. 11.55 Haim Guri's Corner. 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 Warm and Tasty. 1.30 Yoseph Lapid Corner. 1.35 Warm and Tasty.
1.55 p.m. Announcements. 2.05 Entertainment programme. 2.30 Quiz. 2.57 Programme Trailer. 3 "3-4-5" — with Shmuel Shai and Ehud Graf. 5 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. Greetings. 6.05 "Minutes." 7.05 An Hour with Yaakov Hasilon. 8.05 Foreign Hit Parade. 10 "Tonight" — with Edna Shavit. 11.44 Midnight to 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.30 "Night Birds" — with Pnina Bat-Evi. 3.05-5.00 "Tunes in the night."

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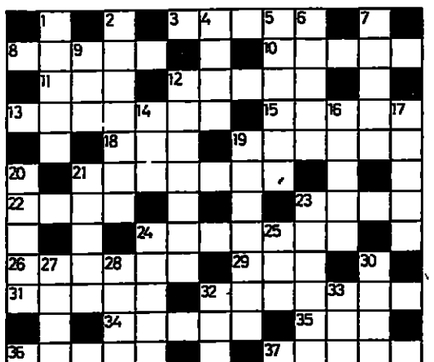
ACROSS
2 Gradient (5)
8 Regretful (5)
10 Tusk material (5)
11 Vegetable seed (3)
12 Blaze up (5)
13 Pertaining to healing (7)
15 Ire (5)
18 Distress signal (3)
19 Dress (6)
21 Uneasy (7)
22 Peruse (4)
23 Remit (4)
24 Maintains persistently (7)
26 Border (6)
29 Expire (3)
31 Acts (5)
32 Leaves (7)
34 Highly coloured (5)
35 Rug (3)
36 Alloy (5)
37 Less (5)
38 Guide (5)

DOWN
1 Aspirations (5)
2 Lauded (7)
4 Interval of calm (4)
5 Sea-robber (6)
6 Happening (5)
7 Command (5)
9 Colour (3)
12 Going without food (7)
14 Type of lettuce (3)
16 Donates (5)
17 Prepared (5)
19 Evaded (7)
20 Equipped to fight (5)
21 Scope (5)
23 Vessel (7)
24 Affront (6)
25 Small drink (3)
27 Wide river mouth (5)
28 Wastes time (5)
30 State (5)
32 American coin (4)
33 Uncooked (3)



Friday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—1, Great. 6, Issue. 9, Concise. 10, Space. 11, Leaps. 12, Arias. 13, Message. 15, Are. 17, Idle. 18, Adored. 19, Beans. 20, Empire. 22, Part. 24, Sue. 25, Deposes. 26, Model. 27, Added. 28, Attic. 29, Restore. 30, Vexed. 31, Trust.

DOWN.—2, Ripped. 3, Accuse. 4, Toe. 5, Scare. 6, Islands. 7, Sees. 8, Umpire. 12, Agree. 13, Mines. 14, Slope. 15, Areas. 16, Edits. 18, Angel. 19, Brooded. 21, Muddle. 22, Potter. 23, Relies. 25, Delta. 26, Mere. 28, Art.

Friday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—1, Da-V-is. 6, Idiot. 9, Neptune. 10, Wrist. 11, S-we-et. 12, (All my eye and) Betty (Martin). 13, Pitchet. 15, Lom. 17, Edit. 18, Ca-nine. 19, Blood. 20, Cheers. 22, Pike. 24, Ear. 25, De-bit-ed. 26, Tsars. 27, Steak. 28, Sauna. 29, New suit. 30, Frost. 31, Telly.

DOWN.—2, Afraid. 3, Insect. 4, Set. 5, Si-e'er. 6, Instead. 7, Dewy. 8, Orr-go-n. 12, Bells. 13, Pears. 14, Tiger. 15, Li-M-it. 16, Me-Ted. 18, Cowes. 19, B-risk-et. 21, Hatter. 22, Pi-late. 23, Kennel. 25, D.-Boss. 26, Tans. 28, Sit.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
2 Effects producer (5)
8 Cantonese fellow (5)
10 Drinking joint? (5)
11 Spirit of London (3)
12 Complaint of many superior politicians (5)
13 Do a union job? (7)
15 Crowning evidence of wealth (5)
18 Vessel our Navy needs (3)
19 Sharper at price cutting? (6)
21 Nice bat fash

BILLION DOLLAR GOAL

rael Bonds aims for 50,000 U.S. families

ORK (JTA).—A campaign d the involvement of every n Jewish family in active of Israel through the Is- d programme will be initi- Israel's 26th anniversary, thberg, General Chairman Israel Bond Organization, unced.

special effort, which will s peak in May and June, centrate on the enrolment hasers of 1,000 dollars or Israel Bonds as "Shomrei or Guardians of Israel.

than 500 synagogues in parts of the country have special events in order the members of their con- as as "Shomrei Israel." The the second stage in the ented 1974 campaign for of one billion dollars in iction and development the State of Israel, Roth- ld. He explained that Is- urgent post-war economic volving the recovery of its apparatus as well as the of jobs for new immi- laced upon the Jews of the States and Canada the re- ity of supplying the funds entire development budget which provides for basic economic enterprises.

Israel's development budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1 amounts to 1.07 billion dollars, as compared with 642m. dollars for the previous year.

The community-wide activities to mobilize Israel Bond subscribers on the 1,000 dollars and over level follows the first stage of the billion dollar campaign which was directed at subscribers of 25,000 dollars and more.

During the first three months of the year, priority was given to maximum subscriptions on the basis of membership in the Israel Prime Minister's Club. All persons purchasing a minimum of 25,000 dollars in bonds are eligible to join the Club which was officially initiated by Mrs. Meir in Israel on February 2.

The "Shomrei Israel" campaign, according to Rothberg, will seek to achieve a quota of 250,000 families, each purchasing a minimum of 1,000 dollars to strengthen Israel's economic development during the present crisis and enable it to create jobs for this year's expected immigration of 60,000 from the Soviet Union and other countries.

Aluminium ceramic cones for airborne electronic instruments are checked at the Western Gold and Platinum Plant of California's GTE Sylvania Company before being fired in an elevator kiln. High-strength cones are required for airborne use because raindrops strike them with the force of a bullet travelling at supersonic speeds. (UPI)

Likud alternative budget proposes changes in revenue, use of funds

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

THIS year for the first time, the annual debate on the budget has taken on an additional dimension by the presentation of alternative budget proposals.

For formal reasons this Opposition budget is not considered as being tabled in the Knesset, but it will doubtless be referred to when the budget estimates come up for the second reading.

The alternative budget has been worked out by a team of economists close to the Likud, headed by Mr. Yigal Cohen.

The major divergences of the Opposition budget from that tabled by the Government are as follows:

- Immediate imposition of a Value Added Tax at a rate of five per cent.
- Upping the import surcharge from the present 25 per cent to 35 per cent, coupled with a rise in the effective rate of exchange for foreign currency allocated for travel and other spending abroad.
- Raising export incentives from the current IL5.80 per dollar of value added to IL6.50.
- Reduction of purchase tax rates and other indirect taxes.
- Cuts in personal income tax rates (to a maximum marginal rate of 60 per cent, as compared with the 65 per cent proposed by the government for the current year).
- Abolition of the land betterment tax for tenant-owned flats.
- Dismissal — with appropriate compensation—of 4,000 government employees (as against the proposed addition of over 2,000).
- Cuts in government investments, in particular in construction projects.
- Cuts in public housing schemes, coupled with larger subsidies for private housing projects and for underprivileged tenants.
- Cuts in government allocations to local authorities, universities, and other public bodies, and other administrative savings.
- Increased allocations for welfare and children's allowances, partly to offset the rise in C-o-L due to the imposition of VAT.

The aggregate amount of the suggested budget does not substantially differ from that tabled by the government, but its impact is expected to be different owing to the proposed changes in fiscal revenue and in use of funds. VAT is expected to raise IL2,200m., but most of this will be required for additional administrative costs or will be lost by abolition of other taxes. The higher import surcharge is estimated to produce IL1,000m., and a similar amount is suggested could be saved by cuts in expenditure. On the other hand, the larger export incentives may require IL1,000m., and an additional IL500m. is suggested to be spent for welfare.

These changes, however, are expected to increase productivity in the private sector, as well as private savings. Imports are anticipated to be slightly lower, and exports somewhat larger than forecast in the National Budget, reducing the foreign trade deficit by about $150m. Investments are expected to be about equal to the amount forecast by the government, but a bigger share would be directed to export industries.

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New subsidies for protesting peasants

YPT PAYS OFF ANGRY FARMERS

y IRENE BEESON

CAIRO (Ofns). — S peasants have won their for better pay for their he Government has an- a decision to help the coun- gruntled farmers with a equal to IL340 million to prices paid for wheat, cot- and sugar cane delivered public sector. Small farm are to be exempted from d the Government will as- f the cost of combating the same time, IL290 mil- be made available to buy fertilisers, insecticides and which have been in short

omplaints of the farmers n part of a wider unrest. tic debate in the People's last month, members, a delegation of Govern- ployees, called for an over- ase in wages and salaries, ctions, price controls and ices for crops. The Govern- ys it cannot afford to pay Government workers, but are being provided to the price of bread, edible sene and rice. oubtful that this small concession will satisfy factory and office workers who are having to pay highly inflated prices for everything they buy and who were finding it virtually impossible to make ends meet even before the price and tax increases that followed the October war last year.

Egypt's workers and peasants do not have the right to strike, but the peasants are better placed than the factory or office worker to circumvent the law. In the past year, many peasants have protested against poor pay, shortages of fertilisers, lack of credit facilities and other problems by refusing to grow crops for the Government. Instead they went in for cash crops for the private sector, which pays twice and three times as much as the Government for crops like sugar.

Seven sugar prices

The peasants' policy of passive resistance resulted in the areas planted with sugar cane being reduced from 1,200,000 to 1,050,000 acres — only 2,000 acres above the sugar cane acreage during the Fatimid period 1,000 years ago, a Cairo paper commented.

There has been a sugar crisis in Egypt since last October. Efforts to deal with it have resulted in a chaotic situation in which the harassed housewife is offered sugar at seven different controlled prices, according to whether it is rationed or unrationed.

The new subsidy for the peasant will give him a small annual increase in profit per acre for his crops, but nothing like the rate of profit he has been getting from his private deals. It is doubtful, therefore, that many will heed the Government appeal to step up production and revert to growing the specified crops unless there is enforcement.

The fact that the peasants have been given incentives, however limited, is likely to spur the other sectors to press their claims, especially since it is feared that the increased prices the Government will pay for essential crops may lead to further rises for consumers.

Many observers believe that a radical cure for the workers' problems in the shape of higher wages and salaries, for the low echelons at least, tax reductions and exemptions and a fair distribution of goods, will have to be applied soon if the Government wishes to avoid a spread of the labour crisis from the countryside to the towns.

Industrialist: Sapir's Black Book caused economic 'dictatorship'

NAHARIYA. — Local industrialist Zeev Wertheimer on Friday called on Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir to refrain from taking on the Premiership or any economic portfolio in the next Cabinet.

Mr. Wertheimer, chairman of the Bosmat technical school of Haifa and member of the Technion Board of Governors, said he was not against Mr. Sapir serving as a minister in some other department. However, he said, by using his "little Black Book," Mr. Sapir had created a "dictatorship" in Israel's economic life, and made it impossible for anyone to advance economically, by creating disorder and a system of taxes and benefits which have forced the majority of the population to become partners in false declarations.

Zeev Wertheimer, one of the proprietors of Iskar — a large metalwork firm — had established a local list in Nahariya before the last elections, and succeeded in getting five of its members elected, to everyone's surprise. *(Itim)*

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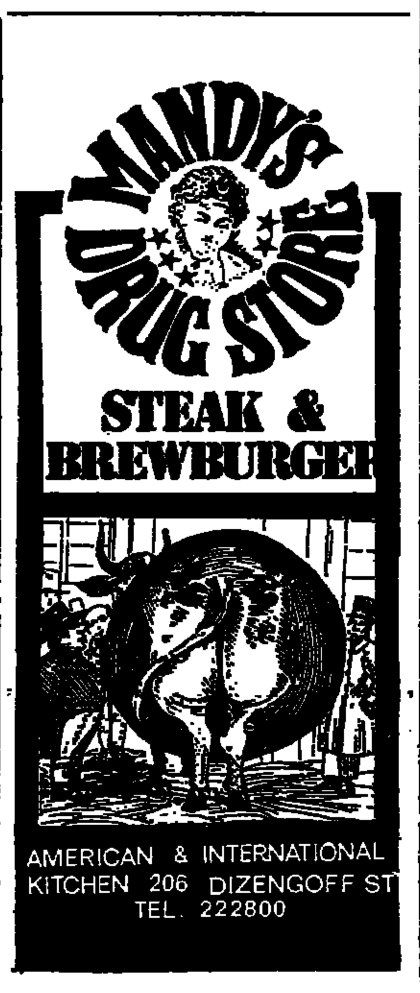

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ienblum prices no devaluation envisaged

IV. — Prices fell yesterday blum Street, despite the in the north.

alers think that the falling e due to two main factors, he Pessah tourist "season" and there seems little likeli- y say, of devaluation. There o devaluation if Mr. Pinhas ntinues as Finance Minister s gone on record as being devaluation. And if the is handed over to Mr. a Rabinowitz, whom the believe is next in line, he ow Mr. Sapir's policies.

day's opening bargaining ere: Hundred dollar bank- IL4.85; smaller banknotes, dollar checks, IL4.50 to DM, IL1.80; French franc, Swiss franc, IL1.50; Dutch IL1.63; Pound Sterling, Sovereign, IL260; kilo of 830; kilo of gold, IL26,500; ce 25th Anniversary set, two-piece set, IL1,500; coin, IL2,200.

Weizmann I. improves blood test technique

REHOVOT. — An improved technique for measuring the rate of blood-flow in the arteries has been developed in the electronics department of the Weizmann Institute and is currently undergoing evaluative tests. A report on the new system was given at the ninth meeting of the Israel Society for Medical and Biological Engineering held last week at the Weizmann Institute.

Under present procedures, a patient suffering from peripheral vascular disease undergoes an angiographic examination before surgery. This examination consists of the injection of contrast material into blood vessels, so that an X-ray shows the location and extent of the blockage. Sometimes, in order to obtain information about the rate of blood-flow as well, a second type of test is conducted during the operation.

Weizmann Institute scientists, working together with physicians from the X-ray department at the Sheba (Tel Hashomer) Medical Centre, take the results already obtained in the angiographic tests, and then, without submitting the patient to any further examination, process the information through their newly developed photo-electric system to assess the quantity of the blood-flow and the physical dimensions of the blood vessel. This technique, researchers believe, will allow the physician to obtain important diagnostic data before and after surgery and from patients not requiring an operation.

AVIV STOCKS

larket leaders set pace

IV. — Stocks began to rise y, both in the opening nd in the variables. The leaders" set the pace. IDB 1.5 and then three, closing with a demand of 165,000. nd for 153,000 Bank Leumi 4.5 and a 2.5 point rise, closing price of 308. Bank nvestment went up 4.5 and a 1.5 closing at 223, with a demand of 114.

The turnover was IL2,668,600; of this, IL952,000 was in the variables.

Index-linked bonds fell, except for development bonds with an early redemption date. The turnover in bonds was IL9,171,800.

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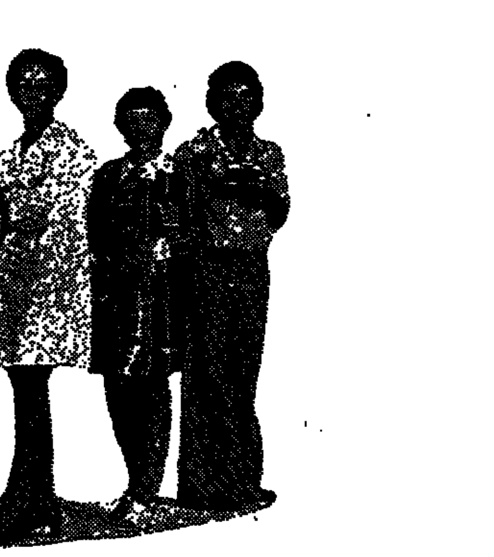

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TENTH CHIEF OF STAFF

RAV-Aluf Mordechai Gur takes up the command of the Israel forces at a most difficult time. An undeclared war is raging in the North, daily threatening escalation. The country is still feeling the impact of the Yom Kippur War and its consequences. The army has been shaken by the departure of its Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar, a brilliant officer, and by other implications of the Agranat Committee report.

At the same time, it is undergoing speedy re-organization, absorbing new weapons, studying the lessons of the recent war and preparing to face new tests if they come. In spite of the recent shakeup, the morale of the army is high, and, as "Motta" Gur himself emphasized not long ago, even the leaders of the new "protest" movements are able and disciplined officers when they don their reserve uniforms.

Gur served as a junior officer in the War of Independence. He rose together with the army and saw action in subsequent wars. He was a field commander and a staff officer. He served in most of the General Staff branches. He had the distinction and good fortune to be the officer who led the paratroopers in the capture of the Old City and freeing of Jerusalem from Jordanian troops.

He was O.C. Northern Command during the War of Attrition in the North in 1968-1970. He also served as Military Attache in Washington in the last war, and gained much diplomatic experience there.

"Motta" Gur symbolizes the rise of the young generation of devoted, imaginative and audacious officers. He always won the highest praise of his superiors and, what is more, important, the confidence and affection of his men. In his spare hours, he found time to write popular childrens' books, including one about his dog.

The Government was wise to decide on the appointment now without waiting either for the appointment of a new Defence Minister or the full text of the Agranat report. The I.D.F. cannot remain without a formally-appointed Chief of Staff, and his appointment should not be linked with the current political turmoil and uncertainty. In "Motta" Gur, the army will find a firm and courageous leader, a demanding task-master but an understanding and thoughtful officer whose task it will be to forge an instrument capable of adjusting to changing conditions.

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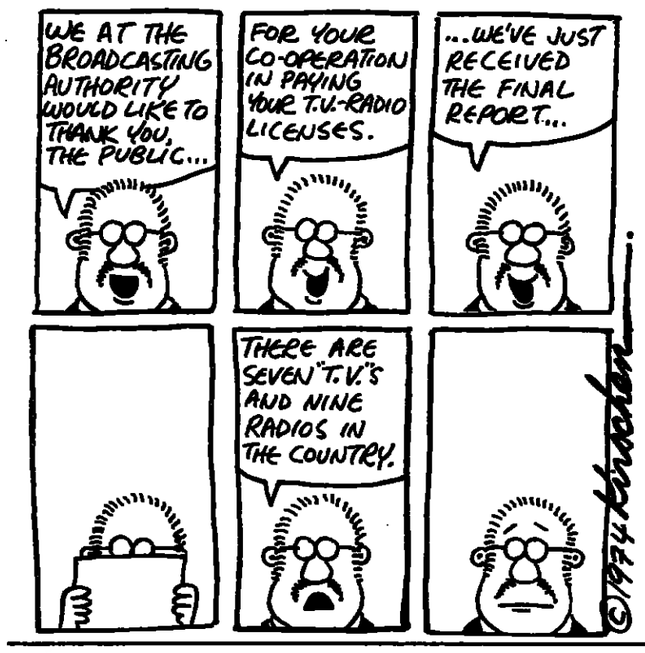

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LEBANON WARNED

Yediot Aharonot severely criticizes the army's raid into Lebanon on Friday, calling it a "comical" response to the massacre and "pogrom" at Kiryat Shmona, which never should have taken place given the government's prior awareness of the town's vulnerability.

"Moshe Dayan's explanations for our response are so implausible that we suspect that he did what he did after prior consultation with Beirut. He proposed that they agree to have a few sorry houses destroyed on the border in order to relieve Jerusalem fom the anger of the residents of Kiryat Shmona and Beirut from the pressure of the terrorists, who are hard to hit.

"This assumption is based upon reports that Lebanese Army units were removed from the area and quotes from villagers who were certain nothing would happen to them."

Davar (Histadrut) says the raid on the Lebanese villages was intended to drive home to the Lebanese Government that it cannot give the terrorist organizations freedom of action, but must restrain them for the sake of the population of South Lebanon. "Let us hope that the action, though moderate in scope, will have driven this point home. If not, the IDF will see no further need to wear kid gloves in its reactions." As for international reactions to the Israeli action, condemnation from the UN Secretary General and the Security Council are only to be expected. Israel had no choice but to take measures in response to the barbaric terrorist acts against her citizens.

Ha'aretz (non-party) says: "While no one doubts the ability of the IDF to seize a broad strip of southern Lebanon and cause the evacuation of all the villages, it is doubtful whether such an action, from which Israel refrained for four years in consideration of the support Lebanon enjoys in the West, was a wise course today, when Israel's international position has been weakened. The acts of retaliation in the 'Fifties were always intended to exert pressure on the Arab governments, particularly Jordan, but the desired result was never achieved. It was not as a result of such actions that King Hussein decided to fight the terrorists in 1970. The Kibiah raid in 1953 did not put an end to Fedayeen raids. The only course for Israel is to intensify defensive measures."

Hatzofeh (National Religious) says Israel's warning will not suffice to deter the terrorists. Though the Lebanese authorities are responsible for action from their territory, a preventive action against the terrorists themselves is called for, at a suitable time and place, to show that justice will be carried out for the blood that has been spilled. Since there has been an intensification of terrorist action inside Israel, as well as from across the borders, the only way open to Israel is to attack the terrorist bases while stepping up defensive measures along the borders.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) says: "Extremist elements in the Arab world are determined to undermine any settlement or even disengagement. While Israel must intensify defensive measures to protect her border settlements, she must also impose restrictions on herself, as she is anxious to achieve a settlement. The more responsible elements in the Arab world must impose restrictions on the terrorist organizations, and the Lebanese Government is duty-bound to remove them immediately from the border region. At the same time the USSR must use its influence to moderate Syria's belligerent stand, since without Syrian support the Palestinian organizations would not be capable of action."

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VIEWPOINT

WHERE DO WE STAND IN 'THE PROCESS OF PEACE?'

By Maurice Carr

OUR politicians and our protesters, too, have evaded the question: where precisely is Israel heading in "the process of peace set in motion by Dr. Henry Kissinger"? (The author of the felicitous "process of peace" formula is U.S. Secretary of State spokesman George Vest, who used it when he condemned as a disturbing factor the "brutal and senseless slaughter" at Kiryat Shmona.)

Under the premiership of Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's policy was not to proclaim a policy in hard-and-fast terms. Since we could not afford to antagonise America, our armourer, our friend, we went along with Dr. Kissinger on a pragmatic basis, hoping for the best. We can be sure that Mrs. Meir tried to temper submission with resistance in meeting the U.S. Secretary of State's suggestions — perish the thought of offers she could not refuse! — suggestions, then, for concessions to Egypt, to Syria, to Jordan, to the Palestinians. But this practice of unpublicized groupings, deplorable in the past, has become intolerable in the new circumstances.

It may truthfully be argued that in "the process of peace" nothing awful has happened to us — yet. We can claim that we are still all right, like the man who fell from a skyscraper and called out on his way down past an upper window, "Doing fine — so far!" The disengagement of forces in Sinai has certainly not hurt us. That, however, is a very modest start to the far-reaching "process of peace." Before we pursue it any further, we should, as it were, open a parachute and make it clear to all concerned, including ourselves, just where we mean to land. Inasmuch as we have not defined our objectives, we have placed ourselves at a disadvantage compared with the Arabs, who for their part make no bones about their ideal destination. They clamour for "Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories and restoration of the Palestinians' rights" — euphemism for deletion of the Jewish State.

Pre-Yom Kippur, we failed properly to appraise and anticipate Arab aspirations and actions. Had we not underrated the Arabs' determination to wipe out their humiliation in the Six Day War, we would not have made so light of their potential striking power. Today, we shall do well to heed the writing on the wall at Kiryat Shmona. It should dispel any illusions we may have harboured about the Arab craving for a final solution to the Israeli question.

Significantly, the despicable sneak-murder at Kiryat Shmona has been hailed as a gallant Arab victory not only in candidly genocide-minded Damascus, but also in Cairo, which Moshe Dayan says has its "face turned toward peace," and in Bourguiba's Tunis, which is the long-recognised champion of moderation. Arabs everywhere have fully appreciated the underlying purpose of the carnage in the Town of Eight where — is it not a hideous coincidence? — eight children were among the 18 victims. The mini-holocaust was staged as a demonstrative curtain-raiser to the grand holocaust which the extremist elements among the Arabs dream of perpetrating, and surely would, if ever we were beaten in war, which heaven forbid.

Those of us who do not confide in heaven alone may be tempted to entrust our safety to Washington: the Americans will supply us with weapons (and not even heaven will help if they don't); the Americans will (to use a Gallicism) satisfy the goat and yet spare the cabbage, that is, fob off the Arabs by feeding to them "expendable" bits of Israel, whose future will for the rest be safeguarded; and, last but not least, within an overall *modus vivendi* between the superpowers, the Americans will protect the Jewish State from the threat of annihilation at Soviet hands.

For us to deny, here and now, the reality of our dependence on the United States would be self-defeating. But shall we not also be jeopardising our existence if we are over-accommodating, if we agree to make too large and/or too abrupt surrenders of territory? In the 1938 Munich tragedy, Benes, by ceding the Sudentenland, doomed Czechoslovakia and, in so doing, helped bring on World War II. For America's sake, as much as for our own good, we must not allow ourselves to become so vulnerable as to provoke a possible crushing Arab-*cum*-Soviet attack upon ourselves. But before we are able in our dealings with Washington to stand up for what we believe to be our categorical lines of no retreat in terms of space and/or time, we must ourselves decide what those lines are.

More perilous even than were our pre-Yom Kippur sins of omission, is the present omission of a public debate and a governmental decision concerning our stand in "the process of peace." This, the most vital of all issues — too important to be left to wholly secret diplomacy — is being dodged not only by our wrangling, disarrayed politicians, but also by our confused, if loud protesters.

Is it too much to expect that, we shall now make haste, by democratic means, to arrive at our indispensable choice?

Internecine fight leaves Gaullists in disarray

By Jack Maurice
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The disarray in the Gaullist party was underlined within 48 hours of registration day for candidates in the Presidential election, as leading ministers and MPs made a spectacular move to torpedo the candidacy of Jacques Chaban-Delmas.

Over the weekend, four ministers — Jacques Chirac (Interior), Jean-Philippe Lecat (Information), Jean Taittinger (Justice) and Olivier Stirn (Relations with Parliament)— issued an appeal for a single candidate to stand with the backing of the Government majority. The appeal was endorsed by 39 members of Parliament.

Chirac had already played a leading role last week in an abortive campaign to force Chaban to step down and make way for Premier Pierre Messmer as the Gaullist candidate.

Messmer withdrew his offer to stand after Chaban refused to withdraw. Besides Chaban, there are two other members of the late President Pompidou's last Government who are candidates: Finance Minister Valery Giscard d'Estaing and Communications Minister Jean Royer.

This new challenge to Chaban's authority over the Gaullist voters is certain to go unheeded. But, like the proliferation of candidates from the majority leadership, it is bound to diminish the credibility of the regime in the eyes of the electorate.

Before the new bid to unseat Chaban, an opinion poll conducted for "France-Soir," the mass circulation evening paper, indicated that leftwing candidate Francois Mitterrand has the backing of 40 per cent of the voters for the first round of the election, while 29 per cent favour Chaban and 27 per cent Giscard.

But in the second round, according to the poll, Chaban could expect a 45 per cent poll with 37 per cent of the votes going to Mitterrand. The remainder are undecided. If Giscard gets into the second round, he could reckon on 43 per cent of the poll and Mitterrand 40 per cent.

Floating vote

Although these projections seem to exclude a leftwing victory, they reveal a floating vote which represents about one-fifth of the electorate. And this silent minority will be particularly sensitive to divisions among the Gaullist leaders during the coming weeks.

The key issues in the election campaign, which officially opens on Wednesday morning, will be rising inflation and unemployment. But during the second round, the Gaullist contender is likely to flourish the "Red Bogey" in order to turn votes away from Mitterrand, who is backed by both his own Socialist Party and the Communists.

The Middle East is unlikely to be a debating point of much significance during the campaign. So far the candidates have stuck solidly to the traditional positions of their parties on the Israel-Ar[illegible] conflict.

Chaban-Delmas and Giscard d'Estaing have both proclaim[illegible] their support for a just and la[illegible] ing peace in the Middle East, [illegible] have not moved a whit away fr[illegible] the Gaullist espousal of the A[illegible] position.

Mitterrand has merely reiter[illegible] the Socialist interpretation of [illegible] passage in the common Social[illegible] Communist political programme [illegible] the problem.

The Socialist Party Secret[illegible] General told a press conference [illegible] Friday: "Israel has a right to e[illegible] and this is a right recognized [illegible] the UN and first and foremos[illegible] the Soviet Union."

Mitterrand said the world [illegible] munity must give Israel the m[illegible] to exist and recalled that UN [illegible] solution 242 presupposed nego[illegible] tions and the surrender of t[illegible] tories "except for necessary adj[illegible] ments."

The International League Ag[illegible] Racism and Anti-Semitism is [illegible] ing all candidates to state [illegible] opinions on a range of quest[illegible] ranging from discrimination ag[illegible] Arab workers in France to hos[illegible] to Jews.

Mideast policy

The league specifically asks [illegible] tenders whether they intend [illegible] modify France's Middle East p[illegible] and to equalize or abolish [illegible] arms embargo.

Writing in "Le Monde," [illegible] league's president, Jean Pi[illegible] Bloch, said: "The league's mem[illegible] will watch anybody who might [illegible] tempted during the campaign [illegible] use xenophobia, racism or [illegible] Semitism as arguments to att[illegible] ill-informed voters. We know [illegible] they usually do not lack the [illegible] ancial means for this.

"Regardless of whether they [illegible] on the left or the right, the leag[illegible] members will denounce them m[illegible] lessly and oblige them to [illegible] their views clearly."

The 29 contenders who inten[illegible] register on Tuesday include [illegible] women, Trotskyite bank [illegible] Arlette Larguiller and Hug[illegible] Leforestier, who represents [illegible] League for Women's Rights. O[illegible] entrants are 70-year-old anti-p[illegible] tion campaigner Rene Dum[illegible] who is a UN agronomist, and [illegible] comedian Maurice Gardett, [illegible] claims he wants to bring sun[illegible] into people's lives.

READERS' LETTERS

Shocking disclosure

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The disclosure by M.K. Menahem Begin (March 18) that the Government kept the chief opposition party in ignorance of the Arab mobilization prior to the Yom Kippur War is shocking, indeed. This provides by far the strongest criticism of the claim that Israeli political institutions are not truly democratic. An electoral system that can perpetuate a party in power for more than 25 years is condemnation enough of a political structure, but the attitude of such a party that no other party, though it represent a substantial minority, should be consulted or informed, even in moments of great danger, is more reprehensible.

In the two great western democracies, the U.S. and Great Britain, no important decision is taken without fully briefing the leaders of the opposition. No law requires such action on the part of the party in power. It is simply a recognition of the fact that decision-making for the entire nation is only a temporary responsibility. The minority party may be voted in and the majority out at the next election.

There can be no gainsaying the fact that something is wrong with the Israeli electoral system which can keep a party in power so long. It cannot help breed arrogance or contempt for opposition — an attitude that the ruling party must continue to hold the reins of government indefinitely, and that its replacement by another party would be a disaster for the nation. The opposition is therefore viewed as neither loyal nor responsible. No other explanation can be made for the failure of the Alignment to brief Likud when it learned of the Egyptian moves several days before the outbreak of war, or for its denial to the chief opposition party of any voice in the subsequent negotiatons with the Arabs.

The sooner the electoral machinery is changed and new elections held, the sooner will Israel's political structure be rendered sound. In addition, if Israel is to function effectively as a democracy, its political system should reflect the concept that the minority is just as much a part of the nation as the majority and has just as much at stake in its welfare. In the meantime it would behoove the Alignment to change its approach to the management of the nation's affairs by respecting and appreciating the role of a loyal opposition.

SAUL SIGELSCHIFFER
Hofit, March 25.

Jewish artists

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It is very laudable for the Tel Aviv and Jerusalem museums to dedicate their impressive, beautiful institutions to deserving retrospective shows of some of the better known Israeli artists. As public institutions, they should be the pride of all Jewry and the joy of all art-loving people. I respectfully suggest that they extend their facilities equally to all important Jewish artists throughout the world. I regret to note that many of our American Jewish artists, who occupy an important place in the world of art, are relatively unknown in Israel.

The works of Raphael and Moses Soyer (the sons of one of the formerly best known Hebrew writers in America) who have had books published about them by the Whitney Museum in New York, have never been displayed in Israel. Neither has Jack Levine, Milton Avery, Maurice Stern or others. There also have been world artists who were closely identified with Jewish life and our Hebrew renaissance, like Max Ban, Marty Manikendam, Max Weber and others who are equally deserving of the attention of our art lovers.

JACOB M. ALKOW
Herzliya, March 27.

Call for National Unity Government

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The intensified terror, the horrible carnage at Kiryat Shmona together with the war of attrition encouraged by the wicked Soviet leaders, call for the immediate establishment of a national unity government manned by the best available personalities — party and non-party members. Only such a government is capable of restoring confidence, strengthening morale and deterring the enemy, who has been encouraged by our internal weakness and by the destruction of Dayan's image.

Elections at this juncture will deepen divisions, intensify internal struggle, produce new splinter factions and the results may destroy our hopes for a fundamental change, turning, God forbid, the drama brought about by the wisdom of the Agranat Commission into a farce.

This is the right moment for the top leaders of Labour and Likud to do some soul-searching and join in a genuine effort to find a swift solution to the present crisis.

Mrs. Golda Meir, who commands authority and enjoys the love of the Jews of the world, should fill the vacant and highly important post of President of the World Zionist Organization in order to mobilize the entire Jewish People for the vital tasks that lie ahead: mass immigration and the decisive battles for peace and security of the State of Israel.

MENAHEM SAVIDOR
Tel Aviv, April 12.

Sports Commentators

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I cannot leave the attacks of Mr. Abbeles (March 5) and Mr. Selay (March 17) against Dan Shilon go unchallenged. Like thousands of others, I find him one of our most charming and entertaining commentators — and not a bit jingoistic. Everybody, of course, according to his taste. The above-mentioned gentlemen just don't have to listen to Dan Shilon.

JOACHIM TENNENBAUM
Tel Aviv, March 17.

PEN FRIENDS

VISHNU KUMAR PAREEK (24), of Agriculture Implements Factory, Jhotwara, Jaipur 6, Rajasthan, Indian, is an engineer who would like to correspond with Israelis between the ages of 20 and 30.

RUDY VAN BOMMEL (36), of Werkhovenstr. 77, 2030 Den Haag, Holland, is married and has one child. He would like to correspond with Israelis in English or German. His hobbies are folk dancing, basketball and stamps.

MATTHEUS ADRIANUS VAN DONGEN (22), of Dickenstraat 22, Rotterdam 24, Holland, is a policeman who visited Israel last summer and would like to correspond with an Israeli girl between the ages of 18 and 20.

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